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Iron Horse	g 16½
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THE UNION IMMENSE.

Colonial Under Secretary Drops Into Slang Referring to Friendship With America.

Co-Operation Where Interests Are Identical—Friendly Arrangement Where They Conflict.

Salisbury's Firm Attitude on Venezuelan Question Made New Relations Possible.

By Associated Press.

Reading, Eng., Dec. 19.—At the opening of the Wellington Club to-day the Earl of Selborne, under secretary for the colonies, discussing the foreign policy of the government, maintained that the Marquis of Salisbury's management of the relations between Great Britain and the United States alone entitled him to the absolute confidence of the country. The change which has taken place from three years back, when both countries were discussing the possibilities of war, would not have been possible except for the cool, firm, far-seeing way in which the Premier had dealt with the Venezuelan difficulty.

Continuing, the Earl of Selborne said: "A very simple, but very great thing has happened. A misunderstanding has been removed. The people of the United States had not understood Britain's feeling towards them. Now they understand. That is all. But it is immense."

"Great Britain," he continued, "has not proposed to use the United States for her purposes, any more than our friends across the Atlantic have proposed to use Great Britain for their purposes. Where our interests are identical we may hope for co-operation. When one country has an interest and the other has none, we may hope that the country not interested will do what it can to support its friends. Where the interests may unhapply tend to diverge they should hasten to mutual conciliation, to an understanding, so as to arrive at a speedy compromise before there is any chance of a breach of their friendship." (Applause).

RETIRED BY PHYSICIANS.

Prussian Minister of Finance Must Cease Official Activity.

Berlin, Dec. 19.—Dr. Johannes Miquel, Prussian minister of finance, is sick as the result of an attack of influenza. His physicians have prescribed retirement from official activity and his resignation is expected on the opening of the Prussian diet in January.

THE PALACE OF DOGE.

To Be Restored by Austrian Government if Found in Danger.

Venice, Dec. 19.—In consequence of a recent report that the Palace of Doge had become endangered owing to the subsidence of the walls adjacent to the Bridge of Sighs and the decay of the timbers supporting St. Mark's library, the government ordered Signor Boito, the eminent architect, to examine and report with a view or restoring the palace. Signor Boito and other architects declare that the stories of danger are greatly exaggerated.

ASHORE AT SANTIAGO.

Another American Cruiser Finds Peace More Hurtful Than War.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 18.—While the United States cruiser Cincinnati was leaving port about sunset yesterday she ran full speed upon a rock clearly defined in the charts, but not buoyed.

Last September Gen. Leonard Wood, considering that the absence of a buoy there might lead to some accident, anchored a small one, the first ever placed there, but the Bessie, on entering the harbor one night carried it away and since then there has been no buoy to mark the location of the rock.

The Cincinnati probably is not seriously damaged, as she is not taking water. For the last twenty-four hours the government collier Southery and the Mayflower have been engaged in an effort to pull her off. Thus far their efforts have been unsuccessful but it is hoped they will have better luck to-night at high tide. The principal risk now is of tearing a hole in the cruiser's bottom while she is pulling off.

Capt. C. M. Chester, the cruiser's commander, insists that the landmarks are in the wrong places and have not been altered in any way since the American occupation. Pilots are not compulsory upon the entrance of warships, but the Santiago harbor is difficult and a warship should invariably take one. Hereafter a large buoy will mark the rock upon which the Cincinnati struck.

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RUSSIAN LOAN DECLINED.

New York Brokers Not Able to Place Ten Million Dollars of Guaranteed Railway Bonds.

New York, Dec. 19.—Information concerning the Russian government loan sought to be placed in this country was given out to-day by J. & W. Seligman & Co. This firm's London representatives, Seligman Bros. & Co., cabled to the New York house asking whether or not they could place $10,000,000 four per cent. thirty year Russian railway bonds guaranteed by the Russian government. The matter was considered and decided in the negative.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—An official agency here issues the following announcement: The United States charge d'affaires, Mr. H. H. Pierce, has communicated to the ministry of finance a proposal by Mr. Ivins, the representative of a group of financiers, to make a large loan to Russia. The decision of M. Dewitte, the finance minister, is not known.

GRIPPE IN NEW YORK.

Thousands of Cases Reported—Suffering Attributed to Filthy Streets.

New York, Dec. 19.—The epidemic of grippe is spreading. Thousands of cases are reported from all parts of Greater New York. The disease so far has been of a mild form and few deaths have occurred.

The streets are in filthy condition and physicians fear additional suffering unless the department of street cleaning comes speedily to their rescue. A mass meeting to protest against the neglect of the streets is spoken of.

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Two Families of Civil Servants Profit by Commuting of Superannuation.

Maxim Gun People to Start Pulp Mills Near Ottawa—Mr. Mulock's Christmas Card.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The postmaster-general to-day received a beautiful calendar from Mrs. Eleanor Fellows, of London, Eng., inscribed as follows: "From the daughter of the English Rowland Hill to the Canadian Rowland Hill; with hearty good wishes for Christmas and New Year, and a long and prosperous career in the service of his country."

The late A. N. McNeill, of the Indian department was the first civil servant to commute his superannuation pay; as a result the family receive $1,900 before he died. Col. Panet commuted his just before he died and his family received $3,000. Civil servants have only until the first of January to come under the act of last session.

The Governor-General has decided to ask all leading newspapers of Canada to open a subscription list immediately in aid of the Gordon memorial college at Khartoum.

The government proposes to make a special Klondike exhibition at the Paris exposition.

Hiram Maxim, of Maxim gun renown, is here on behalf of British capitalists who propose to establish pulp and paper mills in this district.

Lord Minto and suite left for Montreal this afternoon to be present at the opening of the new chemistry buildings at McGill to-morrow.

D. C. Fraser, M.P., is here on his way home from Skagway. He is enthusiastic over the prospects of the White Pass railway.

CAIRO TO THE CAPE.

Important Step Towards Realization of British Railway Across Africa.

London, Dec. 19.—News has come via Zanzibar from Major Macdonald, who is the head of a British exploration party in East Africa. The party started in 1897. His reports give England further cause for congratulation in her plan to civilize Africa and build a British highway from Cairo to Capetown. Major Macdonald states that he has established posts from the Uganda region, just south of Lake Nyanza, to the northeast of Lake Rudolf, and is now going down the River Sobat to Fashoda. This establishes claims to enormous territories in Eastern Africa.

As soon as the expedition sent out by Cecil Rhodes to establish stations and telegraph service from Capetown to the middle lake region has accomplished its work, it will be an easy link on Major Macdonald's chain of posts northward, and British plans for a trans-African highway will be culminated.

Cairo, Dec. 19.—Major Macdonald and his party evacuated Fashoda during the morning of December 11, the French detachment starting for the Sobat river.

AWFUL CRIME FIXED.

Terror Stricken Russian Confessed Author of Stuartburn Tragedy.

Took Five Lives With the Object of Securing a Paltry Fifty Dollars.

Hacked With an Axe Bodies of Little Children Already Slain by Bullets.

Special to the Colonist.

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—The confessed Stuartburn murderer, Simeon Czuby, was brought to the city to-day by Detective Cox, of the provincial police. Czuby made a confession of the murder of Bocehko and four children to J. W. Yeo and his daughter, imploring their protection. He confessed that he had committed the crime and he sought their advice as to how he might escape the authorities. He said that on October 14 about six o'clock, he had gone to Bocehko's house and found Bocehko cooking his supper of porridge. He and Bocehko had a friendly chat in which Bocehko told him that he had $50. He asked for the loan of $20, which Bocehko refused. Seeing that he meant to use violence Bocehko seized the axe, and Czuby drew his revolver and fired twice in quick succession. In the dim light he missed his aim. Then he grappled with Bocehko, and with ease, for he was a larger and stronger man, he wrenched the axe from his grasp. Knocking him to he ground, he hacked him with the blunt weapon a dozen times or more until all signs of life had disappeared.

Turning his attention to the children, he found that two of the bullets had struck the children with fatal effect. One had hit the baby near the corner of the mouth and striking the teeth on the opposite side remained there imbedded in the flesh, while the other was driven through the little one's cheek. The other bullet had struck the second child near the temple. He then killed the other two children, who were crying loudly, and to make matters sure he hacked a few times even the two already dead.

Securing the money, he started for home. There he hid the money and revolver. On entering his house, he found that he was covered with blood. His coat was splattered with blood and brains, and even his hat had marks upon it. He changed his clothes and buried them later, together with his hat. He promised Mr. Yeo to show him where the money and revolver were hidden.

Czuby apparently realized his crime as he made two attempts to commit suicide while en route to Winnipeg. He is lodged in the provincial gaol here.

VANCOUVER NEWS.

Auger Thief Still at Large—Opium Fails to Kill a Colored Man.

Vancouver, Dec. 19.—(Special)—For the second time in a month McTaggart's grocery has been robbed by the busy auger men. Thirty dollars' worth of tobacco was secured in this second haul.

David Mason, colored, was found by the police in an unconscious state last night from the effects of an overdose of opium. A letter in his pocket, written by himself, indicated that he had attempted to commit suicide. Mason has recovered. He had in his pocket when found rat poison and opium.

COWICHAN AFFAIRS.

Horse Trading Case Before County Court—Plans of the Creamery.

Duncan's, Dec. 19.—On Saturday last His Honor Judge E. Harrison held a county court and court of revision here. At the former court a horse trading case between Mr. W. Beaumont and Mr. J. McKenzie was the only one heard, and the decision was that each party should have his original horse again, and a sum of $15, paid "to boot," to be repaid to plaintiff, Mr. Beaumont.

At the court of revision there was no business of importance.

A meeting of the Cowichan Creamery Co. was held on Saturday morning at the Agricultural hall, when it was decided that the patrons, instead of supplying milk to the creamery, should separate or deep-set their milk and furnish the cream only.

CATHOLICS IN PHILIPPINES.

Alleged Assurance of Protection of Their Property Now Under Discussion.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The Catholic church authorities here, who are usually fully informed on questions of an official or semi-official character relating to the government and the church, say that nothing is known of the alleged assurance from President McKinley to the vatican relative to the protection of the church interests against insurgent depredations in the Philippines or elsewhere. The belief is expressed that these reports grew out of a recent visit of Archbishop Ireland to Washington.

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TOAST TO RECIPROCITY

Senator Fairbanks Pokes Fun at Canadian Commissioners at Their Banquet.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Speaks Prettily of Courtesies Received at Washington.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 19.—A banquet was given to-night by the Canadian high commissioners, who are about to leave for home to spend the holidays, as a return courtesy for the many attentions they have been the recipients of during their stay here. The affair took place in the banquet room of the Sherman hotel, which had been appropriately decorated with American, British and Canadian flags.

Just as the gathering was about to break up, Lord Herschell proposed in turn the healths of the Queen and the President of the United States.

Senator Fairbanks proposed a toast to the health of the Canadian commissioners and to the total and absolute reciprocity which the Canadians so much desire.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in responding to the toast, echoed the Senator's sentiment, and expressed the hope that when the Canadians returned they would accomplish reciprocity, not only in words but in deeds.

Among the guests were Sir Julian Pauncefote, Chief Justice Fuller, Secretary Hay, Senators Fairbanks, Faulkner and McMillan, Justices Gray, Brewer and Brown, Speaker Reed, Representative Dingley, Hon. John Foster, Hon. J. A. Kasson, Hon. T. J. Coolidge, Admiral McNair, Mr. Bourassa, M. P., General Boynton, Mr. Cartwright, Mr. Edwards, M. P., Mr. Leiter, Dr. McKay Smith. Most of the guests were accompanied by their wives and other ladies of their families. There were also present representatives of a number of Canadian newspapers.

VANCOUVER'S VARIETY HALL.

New Place of Entertainment Opened Under Favorable Circumstances.

Vancouver, Dec. 19.—O'Brien & Jackson's new venture, the Savoy theatre, on Cordova street, was opened to-night unned most favorable auspices. Long before eight o'clock a crowd of several hundred people had gathered in front of the door, and when the performance commenced there were fully 800 people present, including many prominent citizens. The entertainment provided was everything that could be desired, very clean and bright. Should the performance keep up to to-night's standard, the Savoy will prove a drawing card in this city. Smoking was permitted in any part of the theatre but no drinks were sold.

The theatre itself is splendidly equipped and planned, and can accommodate with comfort about 700 people.

Will positively cure sick headache and prevent its return—Carter's Little Liver Pills. This is not talk, but truth. One pill a dose. See advertisement. Small pill, small dose, small price. *

A WARNING.

Munich, Dec. 19.—A duel with pistols took place to-day between Major Seitz and Lieut. Pfeiffer, arising out of the former's misconduct with the latter's wife. Major Seitz was killed.

Be Not Deceived!—A Cough, Hoarseness or Croup are not to be trifled with. A dose in time of Shiloh's Cure will save you much trouble. Sold by Cyrus H. Bowes.

QUEBEC BYE-ELECTIONS.

Quebec, Dec. 19.—Four bye-elections were held in Quebec to-day for the local legislature. All seats were formerly Liberal, but the Conservatives captured Beauharnois, where Mercier, Liberal, was defeated by Planti, Conservative, by 53. The Liberal majorities were reduced in Vercheres, Levis and Missisquoi. In Levis the successful candidate was Charles Langelier, one of the ministers dismissed with Premier Mercier upon proof of their now notorious boodling.

Pain from indigestion, dyspepsia, and too hearty eating, is relieved at once by taking one of Carter's Little Liver Pills immediately after dinner. Don't forget this. *

PERSONAL.

W. A. Ward, of Robert Ward & Co., was yesterday removed to the St. Joseph's hospital, to be operated on for appendicitis.

Dr. T. L. Davis, of Nanaimo, and Dr. R. E. Walker, of New Westminster, are guests at the Driard.

A. H. Macneill, of Rossland, is at the Driard.

W. T. Stein and C. G. Johnson, of Vancouver, spent yesterday in the city.

Chief Justice McColl, of New Westminster, is at the Oriental.

R. H. Alexander was a passenger from the Mainland last evening.

P. F. Richardson, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Driard.

M. Leiser, W. F. Bullen, Judge Irving, J. Martin and Geo. Leishman were among the outgoing Victorians on the Islander this morning.

W. W. Clarke, representing the Kamloops Standard, is in town in the interests of that enterprising paper, and will visit the Sound before returning to the Inland Capital.

ABOUT CATARRH.

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN

A Move to Reconsider the Yates Street Fire Hall Is Too Late.

Tramway Company Write in Regard to the Bridge and Douglas Street Line.

Though once or twice last night there seemed to threaten a little lively time at the weekly city council meeting, it quieted down again happily, and the work was polished off in good shape. The chief interest centred in Ald. Phillips' motion, by which it was sought to retain the Yates street fire hall, instead of carrying out the intention of selling the property. It came too late, however, for the rules put an extinguisher on the motion, and the alderman could not get a seconder to his appeal from the mayor's ruling.

Word was received from the department of marine and fisheries to the effect that it was impossible for the marine boiler inspector to act as municipal boiler inspector, it being expressly forbidden for a department officer to do outside work.

From the tramway company came the following letter in response to the letter from the city on the Douglas street line:

Victoria, Dec. 15, 1898.

Gentlemen,—Re Saanich road extension, in reply to letter received from the city solicitor, dated 10th December, I have to say we have looked carefully into the matter of running our cars on the Saanich extension, and find that our receipts since the service has been stopped at the Burnside road have in no case decreased, which conclusively proves the extension was not required. Again, if we were to run the cars on this extension, we should be unable to give a satisfactory service on either Douglas street or the outer wharf lines. In reference to the above, I would respectfully refer you to the last paragraph in our letter of 13th July, which reads as follows: "Our present terminus is the northern limit of Douglas street, to which the schedule in the agreement with the city of 1888 states that the cars shall run, which schedule is again embodied unaltered in the Victoria Electric Railway & Lighting Co. act, 1894.

A. T. GOWARD,
Manager Victoria Branch.

In response to aldermanic inquiries, Mr. C. Dubois Mason, city solicitor, said that his opinion was that the city had power to force the company to run, and Mr. Taylor was of the same opinion. The council, however, had not yet given the authority to their legal advisers to take proceedings.

Ald. MacGregor remarked that all that aldermen who represented that section had to do now, if they were so anxious to have the matter carried, was to bring up a resolution and face the music.

Ald. Bragg wanted the matter carefully thought out, but said that he was not afraid to take action, as Ald. MacGregor he thought meant to insinuate.

The letter was laid on the table.

The Local Council of Women enclosed the resolution passed at their meeting in favor of a curfew by-law.

Ald. Williams moved that the city solicitor be asked to frame such a by-law, and Ald. Phillips seconding it, the motion was carried.

Next came another tramway letter, this time on the bridge question. It read:

Victoria, Dec. 19, 1898.

Gentlemen,—We are in receipt of the resolutions passed by the city council on December 2, re James Bay and Rock Bay bridges, and exemption from taxation, and regret that the council did not see its way clear to grant us an extension of the exemption from taxation in consideration of the offer made by us to relieve the city from considerable expense and responsibility. We are also in receipt of a copy of the city engineer's report as to the strengthening of Point Ellice bridge, and note that the city engineer recommends that if heavier traffic is to be provided for, a new truss should be erected. Kindly let us know if the city will be prepared to have this done within the next six months if we agree to build at our own cost additions to the present James Bay and Rock Bay bridges.

J. BUNTZEN,
General Manager.

Ald. Kinsman moved, seconded by Ald. Humphrey, that the company be notified that if they wish the truss to be made strong enough for tramway traffic they must pay for it themselves.

A request from Mr. Sorby, on behalf of Messrs. Weiler Bros., to put up hitching posts opposite their new premises was refused as contrary to the street by-law, but rings may be put in.

S. W. Edwards reminded the council of the petition in regard to the condition of Richmond avenue. Referred to the street committee for report.

A. S. Robertson wrote in reference to 40 acres of land at Elk lake which he wished to sell the city.

Ald. Humphrey intimated that it was desirable to secure the land if it could be done at a reasonable price. However, this council could not deal with it, so the letter might be referred to the incoming council. This was done.

A. Sherrit wanted some alterations in his premises within the fire limits, and intimated that Ald. Wilson's refusal was due to personal motives.

Ald. Wilson strongly denied this, and gave his reasons for objecting to the changes.

Ald. MacGregor in moving that the matter go to the fire wardens and building inspector suggested that the writer be informed that when he sends a request to the city it must be couched in respectful terms. The motioin was carried.

W. K. Bull objected to the discordant long continued whistling of steam whistles greeting the New Year and suggested that in future it be kept within reasonable limits.

This will be attended to.

J. A. Richardson asked that steps be taken to give him his title to the Yates street fire hall as soon as possible in accord with his agreement to purchase from the city.

Ald. Wilson moved that a reply be sent that the city was taking steps to get a title and their agreement would be carried out as soon as that was completed.

Ald. Phillips moved that the matter be laid on the table till the notice of motion he had on the matter was settled.

Both motion and amendment were lost, Ald. Kinsman, Bragg, Hamber, Phillips and Williams supporting the Phillips amendment, and the mayor, Ald. Wilson, Hall, Humphrey and MacGregor against.

The park committee reported they had no funds to make the alterations at the menagerie recommended by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, but suggested the matter be brought to the attention of the incoming council. This was adopted.

The streets committee recommended that a sidewalk be laid in Chestnut street and that the city engineer furnish an estimate of the cost of grading David street between Pleasant and Bridge streets.

Ald. Phillips, seconded by Ald. Bragg, moved to the effect that the Yates street fire hall be not sold but retained by the city.

The mayor said that as the resolution deciding to sell the hall was passed nine months ago it was now too late for reconsideration. The rules forbade reconsideration unless at the first meeting after the resolution objected to was passed. Consequently the resolution was out of order.

Ald. Phillips was starting to give his views when the mayor declined to allow any discussion as it was out of order. The only thing open for the alderman was to appeal from the mayor's decision.

Nobody seconded Ald. Phillips' motion to appeal from the mayor's ruling and the matter dropped.

Ald. Wilson moved, seconded by Ald. Bragg, that $5,000 be expended on a new fire engine.

Ald. Phillips wanted to know if any scheme had been laid before the mayor for having a pumping station and getting a greater head of water.

The mayor replied in the negative and Ald. Wilson's motion passed.

The police court was named as the polling place for school trustee election, and the council adjourned.

STOCKS, METALS AND PRODUCE.

Irregular Market in New York With Sugar Again a Feature.

New York, Dec. 19.—The stock market to-day moved irregularly, and resulted in mixed changes in prices. The general market had a good undertone, but was devoid of interesting features. Little was done in the standard stocks, and the industrials, except Sugar, which broke nearly four points and rallied fractionally. The confirmation of the report that Secretary and Treasurer Searles would retire owing to ill health was used in depressing Sugar.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Dec. 17.	Dec. 19.
Amn. Tob.	141¼	141½
Amn. Tob. pfd	..	130
Amn. Sugar	124	120⅞
Amn. Sugar pfd	..	110¾
Amn. Spirits	..	13¼
Amn. Spirits pfd	35	..
Atchison	..	18½
Atchison pfd	..	50⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	..	64¾
Bay State Gas	..	5⅝
Can. Pac.	..	85½
Canada Southern	56½	56
Ches. & Ohio	25	25
Chicago, B. & Q.	121⅞	121⅝
Chicago Gas	109	108½
Chicago & N. W.	141⅞	140⅝
C. R. I. & Pac.	109¾	110
C. M. & St. P.	116¾	116⅞
C. C. C. & St. L.	..	44⅛
Cons. Gas, N. Y.	191	196
Del. & Hudson	..	104½
Del., Lac. & West	149	..
Denver & Rio G. pfd	..	67⅛
General Electric	92¾	92¾
Hocking Valley	..	3½
Laclede Gas	..	52½
Lake Erie & Western	..	18¾
Lake Erie & Western pfd	..	70⅞
Louisville & Nashville	..	63⅝
Man. Elev.	96⅜	96¾
Michigan Central	112	..
Mo. Pac.	43¾	43
National Lead	37⅞	37¼
North American Co.	..	7
Nor. Pac. com. new	41	41⅛
Nor. Pac. pfd	76¼	76⅛
N. Y. C. & H.	123⅜	123
N. Y. L. E. & W. pfd	..	36⅞
N. Y. Ont. & W.	17¾	17⅝
Omaha com.	91½	..
Pacific Mail	42½	44¾
Phil. & Reading, all pald	19	19
Pullman	..	148⅞
Standard Rope & Twine	..	8½
Southern Railway com.	..	10¼
Southern Railway pfd	..	42¼
Tenn. Coal & Iron	34½	36½
Texas & Pacific	16	16⅞
U. S. Leather	6¼	..
U. S. Leather pfd	68¾	68½
U. S. Rubber com.	43	44½
U. S. Rubber pfd	111	111¼
Union Pacific receipts	39¾	40¼
Union Pacific pfd	71¾	71¾
Wabash pfd	22¾	22⅞
Western Union	94½	94½
W. & L. E. pfd	..	26½
Met. St. Ry.	191½	192
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	..	72½
C.P.R. in London	87¾	87⅞
Com. Cable in Montreal	186	184

New York, Dec. 19.—Money on call steady at 2½ per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 3 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange, $4.84½ to $4.84¾ for demand, and at $4.81½ to $4.81¾ for sixty days.

New York, Dec. 19.—Bar silver, 59½c.; Mexican dollars, 46¾c.

Copper, firm; brokers, $12.75; exchange, $12.80 to $12.95.

Lead, very firm; brokers, $3.35; exchange, $3.80 to $3.82½.

New York, Dec. 19.—Wheat closed: March, 75½c.; May, 72½c.; Dec., 73⅜c.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Wheat closed: Dec., 66c.; May, 67½c. to 67⅝c.; July, 65⅝c.

If you are tired taking the large old-fashioned griping pills, try Carter's Little Liver Pills and take some comfort. A man can't stand everything. One pill a dose. Try them. *

Board of Health.—The quarterly meeting of the provincial board of health opened yesterday, there being present Dr. J. C. Davie, president; Dr. R. E. Walker, of New Westminstetr, and Dr. T. L. Davis, of Nanaimo. The provincial government having failed to appoint a successor to Dr. George Duncan, late secretary, Dr. Davis was appointed secretary pro tem. In the evening the members of the board interviewed the attorney-general in respect to the appointment of a secretary and he promised that the appointment would be made within a week. The rest of the evening session was taken up with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

Dyspepsia Cured.—Shiloh's Vitalizer immediately relieves Sour Stomach, Coming up of Food Distress, and is the great kidney and liver remedy. Sold by Cyrus H. Bowes. *

DIED

HEATHORN—On the 19th inst., Walter P., the infant son of A. Heathorn, aged 22 months.

The funeral will take place from the residence, 263 Douglas street, on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.

SCOTT—On the 18th inst., George Nelson Scott, son of George D. and Kate Scott, aged 10 months.

The funeral will take place in Vancouver on arrival of boat on Wednesday morning.

THE CITY

"Robin Hood".—The next rehearsal of "Robin Hood" has been deferred until Tuesday evening, January 9, on account of the holidays and other attractions in the interval.

Final Rehearsal.—The last two rehearsals of the "Midnight Mass" will take place on Wednesday and Friday evenings, when all members of the choir and orchestra are urgently requested to attend. Those wishing tickets of admisssion to the mass can obtain the same from Mr. F. Victor Austin.

Life in Japan.—At a meeting of the B.Y.P.U. in Emmanuel Baptist church last evening Mr. E. B. Paul, principal of the High school, gave an interesting lecture on the customs and habits of the Japanese. He touched on education, and referred briefly to the religious sentiment of the Japanese.

An Alleged Thief.—Detective Palmer last evening arrested a Jap and booked him at the lockup on the charge of stealing a watch valued at $40. Yesterday morning Mr. W. Oliver, a Johnson street barber, who is also a member of the fire department, leaving his shop in a hurry left his vest, in the pocket of which was his watch. On his return the watch was missing and he so informed the police. Detective Palmer caught the Jap in the act of selling the watch.

Good for Clayoquot.—Mr. Frank McQuillan, who returned on Saturday from a trip to Clayoquot, says that a great many fine prospects are being opened up in that part of the Island, especially up Bear river. He looks for fine returns before long to bear out this view and says that a mining engineer, Mr. Frewer, who was there looking over property for a Victoria syndicate expressed himself as highly pleased with what he saw.

Law is Strict.—The charge against Mrs. H. M. Strange, of supplying a boy under 15 years of age with cigarettes, was yesterday dismissed by Magistrate Hall, the evidence being contradictory. In her evidence Mrs. Strange said she never supplied boys with cigarettes or tobacco unless they had a written order. The magistrate pointed out that the law made no exception, the articles mentioned could no more be supplied to a boy with an order than one without. The boy caught smoking the cigarettes was convicted and discharged with a warning.

We have just received a large consignment of Kid Gloves, and are offering to-day our $1 25 line at 75c a pair; all sizes. The Sterling 33 Yates Street.

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CORPORATION CITY OF VICTORIA.

TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES

Sealed tenders endorsed "Tenders for Debentures" will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the 28th inst., for the purchase of local improvement debentures of the city of Victoria, amounting to $4,300.43, issued under authority of "The Fort Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law, 1898," and bearing interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable half yearly at the office of the City Treasurer, Victoria.

These debentures are dated August 31st, 1898, and are payable at the office of the City Treasurer on August 31st, 1908.

Each person must quote the net price they are willing to give, and the successful tenderer will be required to pay the interest on the full amount of the debentures at the rate of five per cent. per annum from August 31st, 1898, to the date on which the money is deposited with the City Treasurer.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C., Dec. 16th, 1898.

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Handsome suite of offices to rent in new Bank of Montreal building, corner of Government and Bastion streets, especially suitable for lawyers, doctors, architects, etc. Splendid light; fireproof building, and connected with down stairs office by pneumatic tube. Apply
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LOST OR FOUND.

LOST—A grey and white bob-tail sheep dog. Apply Dr. Bell, the Barracks. d18

FOUND—Two papers, an answer to one of which was sent on 9th. Apply this office. O. K. d17

LOST—Large size Watterman fountain pen, either in Victoria theatre or on street, Friday evening. Finder please return to B. Warner Rice, manager Toutine Savings Association, Times building, and receive reward. d10

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Large feather beds; finest quality. Apply 134 Johnson street, room No. 2. d20

GOOD FARE FOR CHRISTMAS—Turkeys, geese, beef and pigs' tongues, hams, bacon, lard, hardene, butter, all kinds; Ontario cheese, pickles, sausage, etc. Robert Eccles, City Market. d20

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THREE ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE—In small fruits; 4 miles from town; good income can be made; exceptional inducements; $100 cash, balance small monthly payments. Address "Land," care Colonist. d18

FOR SALE—Horse, light express and cart; in good condition; can be seen at 34 Pioneer street. d17

G.D.B. PIPES, silver mounted, etc., at Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street.

BELLFLOUR APPLES are the granted cooking or eating apples in town; also Pippins, Spitzenberg, Russet, Baldwin, etc. Potatoes, 75 cents per 100 pounds. Sylvester Feed Co., Ltd., City Market. Tel. 413.

FOR SALE OR TO LEASE—A farm of 160 acres, on the Mainland, with a comfortable hard-finished six-roomed cottage; all kinds of fruit; convenient to boats, railways, schools and churches. For particulars address B. W. Colonist office. n18

FOR SALE—A fine buggy horse; also top buggy and harness. Apply M., this office. n10-tf

FOR SALE—A horse. Apply Thorpe & Co., Ltd., Victoria.

FOR SALE, CHEAP—Leaving the country. One of the most beautiful homes on Vancouver Island; on the Quamichan Lake; two miles from railway (Duncan); 60 or 118 acres, as desired; nearly half cleared; 13-room house (hot and cold water); large double barn and other buildings; close to first-class trout and salmon fishing, shooting, etc., also to good tennis club. Apply to L. D., 33 Birdcage Walk, Victoria, B.C.
Oct. 30.

FARM FOR SALE, CHEAP—About half value or less—188 acres on the Koksilah river, 3 miles south from Cowichan Station, E. & N. railway; 140 acres enclosed; 50 acres pasture, timothy grass; 10 acres cleared; orchard, house, barn and fences; government road; good fishing, etc.; got to be sold as the owner leaves for Scotland. Address D. Stewart, Cowichan Station P. O., B. C.; who can meet purchaser at the station. Come and see this property and tell your price, etc. d18

WANTED.

WANTED—Board and lodging in private family, near High school. Address P. O. box 75, city. d20

A YOUNG MAN desires situation os first-class coachman; thoroughly up in his work, with first-class references. A. W. H., Colonist office. d20

WANTED—A teacher for the Okanagan Mission public school; a lady with considerable teaching experience would be preferred. Apply to Geo. Whelan, secretary board of school trustees, Okanagan Mission, B. C. d20

WANTED TO RENT—Desirable residence, with modern improvements, within easy walk of business centre. Apply, giving particulars, to "G. G.," care this office. d20

HOTEL MANAGER WANTED—A competent man to take the management of a new, first-class hotel in one of the leading cities of British Columbia; a man who would invest about $5,000 in the capital stock of the hotel company preferred; good salary to right man; references required. Address J. R., Colonist office, Victoria, B. C. d20

GOOD HORSE will be fed during winter if privilege is given to work. Apply S., Colonist office. d18

TO WHOLESALE GROCERS—Energetic gentleman with good connections is prepared to sell on commission. Address in confidence "Traveller," Colonist office. fice. d18

WANTED—2,000 rockmen and laborers for White Pass & Yukon railway; wages 35 cents per hour; rock station work, $1 to $1.50 per yard; work guaranteed; good camps; work 9 hours a day. Apply to M. J. Heney, contractor, room 4, third floor Inns of Court Bd., Vancouver, B.C. d17

WANTED—General servant for small house; write first. Address Y., Colonist office. d15

WANTED—A reliable person to do cooking in a small family. Address P. O. box 10. d11

WANTED—BY a single gentleman first of month, a warm and comfortable furnished room in private family, with home comforts, five or ten minutes' walk from Government street. Apply to A. E., Colonist office. d11

A YOUTH, 16, desires situation; good knowledge of bookkeeping and typewriting; would make himself generally useful; good references. Address T. G., Colonist office. n30

WANTED—By experienced young man, position as shipping clerk, or tallyman preferred; wages low at start. Address P.O. Box 313, Victoria. n23

HAVE your boots and shoes repaired by C Nangle, the prize boot and shoemaker He don't charge credit prices. Repairing depot. 56 Fort street. Jy12

MUSICAL.

PROF. KAUFFMANN, from Chicago—Piano, violin and mandolin. Room 77, Five Sisters block. Office hours, 2 to 3 p.m. Best references; moderate terms. n24

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to announce that at the request of a number of ratepayers I shall be a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor for 1899 and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

CHAS. E. REDFERN.

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LAMPS, GLASSWARE, FINE CHINA, TRBLE GLASS, DINDER SETS, FANCY ARTICLES,
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TO LET—Three cottages on Centre road, Spring Ridge, at $5 per month; also house with 3½ acres of land at Oaklands. Apply 5 Centre road, Spring Ridge. d15

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TO LET—Comfortable furnished rooms, single or double, with or without board, in a good locality; terms moderate. 51 Vancouver street. Please call any time in the morning. n18

TO LET.—A comfortable cottage of six rooms with gas, bathroom, hot and cold water, convenient to centre of city; will sell carpets and blinds. Address W., Colonist office. no2

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase, for townsite purposes, the following described parcel of land situate on Surprise Lake, Cassiar:—Commencing at a post on its north shore, about half a mile east from its outlet; thence north 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west along the shore of the Lake to point of commencement, 160 acres, more or less.

D. M. BROGAN.
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October 20th, 1898. n8

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HOUSEHOLD COAL, at $5 50 per ton
NUT COAL at - - 4.25 "
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MISCELLANEOUS.

MONEY ON LEND on first-class city property. Apply by letter to E. Baynes Reed, 42 Fort street. d16

MRS. C. KOSCHE has returned from San Francisco, where she has taken a full course of lessons in FACE STEAMING AND MASSAGE, and will be pleased to receive lady customers; hair dressing; latest styles. 42 Government street, Victoria, B. C. n26

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LADIES PLAY HOCKEY.

Vancouver Wins From the Victoria Team After an Excellently Contested Match.

Story of Saturday's Rugby Football Told by the Returned Players.

In spite of hail and rain, the ladies' teams of Vancouver and yesterday met yesterday afternoon at the Oak Bay park in their first annual hockey match. The ground was very wet, and as a result fast play was the exception. The game, however, was the closest yet played between the two clubs. It resulted, after a very even contest, in a win for Vancouver. by the score of 2 to 1.

Owing to a heavy shower, the bully-off did not take place till 3 o'clock.

The first half presented a series of brilliant individual plays on the part of the Victoria team, most prominent being the Misses Christie, Scholefield and Wilson, while steady team work was the predominating feature of the whole of the Vancouvers, especially the back division. After 15 minutes' play the Misses Philpot, on the right wing, took the ball up the field, and passing in the circle to the centre forward Mrs. Burns she scored the first goal for Vancouver.

Shortly before half time, Miss Christie took the ball the whole length of the field and passed to Miss Green. She returned it to Miss Christie, who then put it through by a nice clean stroke. No other goals were scored in this half.

On changing ends the play assumed a most stubborn nature, slightly in favor of Vancouver, the Misses Boult, Sully, Bauer and others distinguishing themselves by excellent work. It appeared as though the game would result in a draw, as neither could effect the necessary combination, owing to the close checking of the half-backs on both sides, all of whom made up a first-class play. However, just before time was called, by a good piece of combination, in which the Misses Farron, Mason, Boult and Mrs. Burnes took part, the last named scored on a second attempt, the first shot being very prettily stopped by Miss Gaudin, the Victoria goal-keeper, who, though she had played an excellent game throughout, unfortunately slipped at a critical moment. Time was called before the home team could score again, although strenuous efforts were made to even matters, the right wing including the Misses Janion, Bell and Worlock, making many futile attempts.

After the game, tea and cake were served to the players by non-playing lady members, under the supervision of Miss Harvey, and thus ended the most exciting game yet played in this province between any two ladies' clubs: The teams were as follows:

Victoria—Misses Gaudin, Williams, Brown, Askew, Worlock, Wilson, Bell, Janion, Christie (captain), Scholefield and Green; referee, Mr. Innes.

Vancouver—Misses Mason, Smith, Wilson, Philpot, M. Philpot, Boult, G. Boult, Farron, Bauer, Sully and Mrs. Burnes; referee, Mr. Crickmay.

To-night is the occasion of the dance given by the home club in honor of their Vancouver visitors, for which the hall at Nos. 90 and 92 Fort street has been secured, and under the hands of numerous ladies of the club has been very prettily decorated. With a good floor and orchestra, without mentioning a sumptuous supper, doubtless a good time will be the order of the night.

There will be no practice for either branch of the local club this week.

SATURDAY'S RUGBY MATCH.

Although Victoria did not succeed in winning the football match at Vancouver on Saturday, they have every reason to feel satisfied with the result. Until Schofield got hurt they had the best of the play, and it was fully twenty minutes before Vancouver crossed the half line. During this period Victoria pressed them severely, the three-quarters showing good combination. After numerous attempts Schofield got over the line and touched down, but the point was not allowed, the referee considering him held over the line. In the second half Cullin got within a few yards of the touch-line when he dropped the ball, knocking it over the line with his knee. Gamble, who was following closely, touched down, but again the point was disallowed for thrown forward, but it appeared to be a perfectly legitimate point.

The Victoria backs were better than Vancouver's, and the forwards were good in the open and dribbling, but did not peck quite so close and wedge-like as Vancouver. Fully three-fourths of the play was in Vancouver's 25, and it speaks well for their defence that the match ended in a pointless draw. Victoria was unfortunate in having Schofield hurt, as he was rendered practically useless for the rest of the match, but he pluckily went back and played through the game. This change upset the combination of the backs and weakened the defence considerably.

Victoria winning the toss, elected Vancouver to defend the lower goal. Victoria having the slope in their favor in the first half. Crease kicked off for Victoria. The forwards following up well, forced the play into their opponents' 25, where it was kept continually hovering on Vancouver's line, who were three times penalized for off-side play. Victoria failed to take advantage of the free kicks, all being in a favorable position for a place-kick, instead of drop-kicking. At this stage of the game Victoria was forcing the play, the forwards heeling out to the halves, who in turn smartly passed to their backs, the ball being passed rapidly across the three-quarters line. The players had much difficulty in holding the ball and keeping their feet, owing to a drizzling rain, which continued throughout the game.

After 20 minutes' play Vancouver crossed the half-way line for the first time, but were forced to retire and again act on the defensive. Schofield was badly thrown, and received a severe strain in the side, and for the rest of the game he was practically useless, playing full back. This upset the combination, and Vancouver began to force matters, at length forcing Victoria to touch down in defence. Tait made a good attempt to drop a goal, the ball going just a little wide. Vancouver was now playing a strong forward game, but the combination of their backs was not so good.

Half-time arrived with Vancouver in their opponents' 25 and the score-sheet a blank. Upon resuming, the play was in mid-field for a time, neither side having any advantage. Vancouver at length broke away and carried all before them, only to spoil a splendid chance by a wild kick which sent the ball out of play. On the kick-off Victoria got the upper hand and were several times within an ace of scoring. Again loose play on the part of the Victoria backs gave Miller a splendid opening, but he failed to make a point. Victoria forced the play, and for the next 20 minutes kept the Vancouvers penned in their 25. A few minutes only remained to play when Vancouver broke away, and Schofield, failing to get the ball, allowed them to find touch in his 25. Vancouver now made a desperate effort to score and eventually crossed the line, but the point was not allowed. No side was called, with Victoria in their opponents' territory and both teams playing for all they were worth. This ended a most exciting game. The referee was Mr. E. E. Billinghurst.

BASKET BALL.

Wasps' Practice.

There will be a general practice of the Wasps at basket ball in the club's new hall on Fort street this evening. A full attendance of members is requested.

FLEET IN THE STRAITS

Steamer Umatilla Passes a Number of Sailing Vessels Off the Cape.

Settlement of the Manauense Difficulties Delayed on Account of the Arbitrator's Illness.

Capt. Cushions, of the Pacific Coast liner Umatilla, which arrived here from San Francisco last evening, reported having sighted the German ship H. F. Glade six miles off Destruction island and about 40 miles south of Cape Flattery, early yesterday morning. The foreigner came from Honolulu and was bound for Astoria. She was nearly 150 miles out of her course, and had any heavy southwesterly weather been encountered, her chances of escape from the rocks would have been slim indeed. The Umatilla happened along in good time, and the Glade, getting her bearings from the skipper of the mail ship, put about, and with a favorable breeze soon made tracks. After leaving the ship behind, the Umatilla in the course of an hour or so overtook three sailing ships in tow, and saw in the distance a fourth vessel, evidently laden, sailing. She had two standing gaffs, but further than this Capt. Cushions could not give any description. If she is for British Columbia—and it is thought she is—she is the British ship City of Florence, which is now due from England with general cargo. The City of Florence is a small vessel but very speedy, being a sister ship to the City of Adelaide, the record-holder for voyages between London and Melbourne, Sydney and London, and Hongkong and Antwerp.

A ROUGH TRIP.

Passengers who arrived on the steamer Islander on Sunday report having had a very rough trip. It was the roughest passage the steamer has had in eight years, according to one authority on the subject. Just as Ten-Mile point was rounded a huge sea struck the after quarter of the steamer and smashed in several of the lower windows and flooding the room just under the dining hall, finding its way to Purser Moore's room and giving him a salt water bath. It was impossible to stand anywhere on board without gripping something solid. The floor in the dining hall was also covered, it is said, six inches deep, and considerable damage was done by the salt water. A lady who had been lying on one of the seats was thrown several feet by a sudden lurch of the ship. Luggage was thrown about pretty lively in the baggage room, and it was not until yesterday morning that the door of this room could be opened, the baggage having been so thrown against it that access could only be gained through the window. A commercial traveller said last evening that every particle of his clothing he had to send to the laundry when he arrived. He did not fear any danger, however, as the Islander having five air-tight compartments in her, is almost unsinkable.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Queen City leaves for West Coast points this evening.

The Quadra will deliver supplies at the Race Rocks light to-day.

Yokohama yesterday advised the arrival of the R. M. S. Empress of China, from this port.

Steamer Miowera sailed on Sunday morning for Honolulu, Suva, Wellington and Sydney, with full cargo and a fair passenger list.

Steamer Quadra returned on Sunday from the Gulf, having installed Donald McLean as keeper of the new lighthouse on the Sisters islands.

The City of Seattle did not leave until near 12 o'clock last night, having been detained in handling a heavy grain cargo for the Brackman & Ker Milling Co.

Mr. Frank Richards said last evening that through Mr. Ward's illness a settlement of the steamship Manauense's difficulties will not be arrived at as quickly as was at first expected, as all matters had been centralized in him as arbitrator.

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Str. Islander from Vancouver.
Str. City of Seattle from Port Townsend.
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Str. Islander for Vancouver.
Str. City of Seattle for Port Townsend.
Str. Queen City for West Coast.
Str. Miowera for Honolulu.
Str. Pilot for Vancouver.
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LEONARD H. SOLLY,
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RAIL TO THE YUKON.

A correspondent re-opens the discussion of an all-Canadian route to the Yukon. In a private note he asks if the Colonist cannot do something to arouse interest anew in this important matter. We do not know. We are not favorably impressed with the suggestion that our people can be aroused on this subject. British Columbia had a government that was alive to its development. Its career was cut short in the midst of its usefulness, and some people put in power who represent the most reactionary ideas. The public seem quite indifferent about it. They have seen the province arrested in its progress, but if they care, they say nothing about. Moreover there are other difficulties to be overcome. If a plan is proposed by which something may be accomplished, at once objection is raised that some one is going to make something, as if anything could be done in the way of progress without someone profiting. Politics obtrudes itself into everything and sectionalism gets in its work. With a province of possibilities that are practically unlimited, we have fallen back upon a do-nothing policy.

Our correspondent speaks of Skagway and its growth and business. He will be surprised to learn that there are people in Victoria, who have found serious fault with the Colonist for advocating a policy that would lead to the building of such a city on the British Columbia seaboard. He will be surprised to be informed that prominent people have told the Colonist that it was a mistake to advocate the opening of the northern part of the province, and also to urge the improvement of the connections of Victoria with the Mainland. Sometimes we almost lose hope of seeing the people of this city awaken to the magnificent opportunity which remains unimproved. Yet when we reflect upon what a field there is for work, when we endeavor to realize what the development of the northern country means to Victoria and every interest centering here, we feel that notwithstanding past disappointments it is the duty of the Victoria press to endeavor to stir public opinion up to such a point, that it will rest content with nothing less than an all-Canadian line to the Yukon.

The Colonist is not opposed to any existing route, nor does it desire to lay a straw in the way of the success of any enterprise. If it wished, it could not prevent Skagway and the railway through the White Pass from becoming very important factors in connection with Yukon development. What it wants to see accomplished is the construction of a railway that will start from a British Columbian port, open up some three hundred miles of British Columbia territory by its main line and tap the Yukon waters, having branches that will develop Cassiar and Omineca. We welcome our correspondent's letter and hope it will lead to others. We tell the people of Victoria that they have more at stake in this matter than they think. Some day they may awaken to find out what they have lost by neglecting the opening of Northern British Columbia. Said a merchant to whom this observation was made a few days ago: "That's the way with you newspapers. Don't you know that we are already doing a fine trade with the North?" We answer that we know just what is being done in that way, but are not content simply to let the city stand still. Victoria ought to grow rapidly in population and commercial importance. It can hold its own against all competitors if it puts forth the effort. The first step towards placing it where it ought to be is to secure an all-Canadian route to the Yukon.

THE YUKON CHARGES.

We frankly admit that we do not care to make anonymous charges against public officials; yet in regard to the Yukon it is almost impossible to get persons to allow their names to be used. Three classes of reasons are given. One is that the complainants regard their knowledge of the existence of scandals as an advantage to them in dealing with the officials; another is that they have paid for privileges and it would be foolish to lose the advantage thus gained; a third is that the complainants will have business to do with officials in Dawson next year, and do not wish to handicap themselves. To some people these will seem like very insufficient reasons, but when men make specific allegations, and give one or the other of these grounds for being unwilling to have their names used in connection with them, it is impossible not to be impressed by them. The Colonist has seen scores of people from Dawson, who were outspoken in private as to the wrongful acts of officials, persons of excellent repute, Englishmen, Canadians, Australians and aliens, but they all seemed influenced by the idea that it would not be safe to allow their names to be connected with anything publicly. One of the most unfortunate things in connection with the Yukon scandals is the existence of the feeling that it is not safe to speak out plainly, that the government is determined upon protecting the officials, and that the man who prefers charges will be black-listed. This is a most melancholy feature of the case. It ought not to be in any part of Canada that a man should be afraid to expose wrong-doing.

AN EDUCATIONAL CENTRE.

Kootenay papers are discussing the proper location for a school of mines. The Rossland papers naturally want it at Rossland and the Nelson papers at Nelson. Either place would be a good location, but we venture to suggest that Victoria would be better than either. It is time that some attention was given to the establishment of educational institutions in this province of a grade higher than the public schools, and it would be a wise move on the part of the people of Victoria to take the initiative. British Columbia needs not only a good School of Mines, but a training school for teachers. Later it will need a college, where a university course can be taken. No place in British Columbia is so well adapted to become the educational centre of the province as Victoria. During the course of the next decade, the northern country will so develop that Victoria will be by far the most convenient point for such institutions. It has advantages in other respects than cannot be duplicated. In the many propositions made to advance the importance of our city, the idea of making it the educational centre of the Canadian Pacific Northwest has been lost sight of. It is time that some interest was aroused in it.

CRITICISMS OF JUDGES.

The notion that the bench is a sort of holy of holies, and that the men who sit upon it are protected from public criticism will be dispelled, if one picks up the British Law Times and looks through its columns. Thus we find that paper, in discussing the magnitude of a verdict given in a certain case, speaking of Mr. Justice Hawkins as "being steeped in sentiment." Again we find it telling Mr. Justice Day that, if a judge could be sued for libel for words spoken from the bench, he would be utterly without a defence. We find the following published in connection with some election cases:

Recent events would seem to go a long way to justify the prediction contained in Chief Justice Cockburn's celebrated letter to the Lord Chancellor in 1868, protesting against the proposal then before parliament for devolving upon the judges the duty of trying controverted elections. In that letter the Chief Justice says: "In conformity with Your Lordship's wishes, I have consulted the judges, and I am charged by them, one and all, to convey to you their strong and unanimous feeling of insuperable repugnance to having these new and objectionable duties thrust upon them. We are unanimously of opinion that the inevitable consequences of putting judges to try election petitions will be to lower and degrade the judicial office and to destroy, or at all events materially impair the confidence of the public in the thorough impartiality and inflexible integrity of the judges when in the course of their ordinary duties, political matters come incidentally before them. This confidence, which does so much to maintain the respect for the administration of justice, and to uphold the salutary influence of its ministers, has in a great measure arisen from the judges being in no way mixed up with political matters except when, as was just observed, such matters are unavoidably involved in trials. Angry and excited partizans will not be unlikely to question the motives which have led to the judgment. Their sentiments may be echoed by the press. Can it be expected that, if brought into contact with these strong prejudices and passions, the judicial office will not suffer in the public esteem, that its dignity will not be lowered, and the veneration which has hitherto attached to it be materially diminished?"

We hardly know what some people would think if a Britsh Columbia paper should refer to the conduct of judges in this way. And yet this language is moderation itself compared to some comments in the British press on British judges.

Although a week has passed since Mr. Justice Drake declined to send Messrs. Ellis and Lugrin to gaol, we have not observed that any of the papers, which were so desirous of seeing that result reached, have raised their voices in protest. According to some of our contemporaries, the dignity of the Supreme court and the very integrity of our institutions would be jeopardized if those gentlemen were not promptly incarcerated. Mr. Justice Drake seemed to think otherwise. Now if the Colonist had taken the position which they did, and a judge of the Supreme court had gone so contrary to its views of what the interests of justice demanded, it would have entered its protest. The trouble with them is that they have only the courage to be nasty. They have no conception of their rights as newspapers, and if they had would lack the courage to assert them. If the Times and the News-Advertiser were right in their remarks upon the contempt proceedings, they would have been justified in reading Mr. Justice Drake a severe lesson for his failure to accept that view of the dignity of the court, and the rights of newspapers to comment upon passing events.

Mr. Sword says that he resigned his position in the civil service on receiving the nomination for Cowichan. We have no reason to suppose that Mr. Sword would make such a statement if it were not true, and so accept it without reserve, but cannot help wondering at the neglect of the government to make the fact known. Even so staunch a supporter of the government as the Vancouver Province thought it an outrage that he should be a candidate while holding office.

Mr. Finance Minister Cotton is good enough to suppose that the Colonist will not object to his visiting Cowichan. The Colonist does not object. The Colonist will be the last paper in British Columbia to object to Mr. Cotton's speaking anywhere. His bids for support are so very attenuated that his political opponents would prefer him to visit a constituency rather than remain away from it.

Commenting on the dismissal of the selectors of jurors, the Times says that probably the Colonist did not know the law had been altered so as to provide for one selector only. As the Colonist specially mentioned the fact that the law now provided only for one selector, we cannot understand how the Times reached any such conclusion.

The Lillooet Prospector predicts great things for the Bridge River district next year. There seems every reason to believe that the whole region from Bridge River to Lake Chilco will be found to be highly mineralized. The discoveries around Lake Atlin indicate that the whole eastern slope of the Coast range is auriferous.

The News-Advertiser says that the opposition will not get into power until they get a new leader. There is a well-defined rumor that the News-Advertiser has an ardent desire to name the leader, in the event of victory over the enemy appearing at all certain.

Great Britain seems to have resolved to have the Newfoundland shore question settled with France. It will probably be done by yielding up some claim in exchange for a relinquishment of the French right.

Our American neighbors are going a great deal of talking about the efficiency of dynamite guns. These weapons were tried in the war with Spain, but so far as anybody knows were of no special value.

THAT ALLEGED CONTEMPT.

The government papers which shrieked in their predictions that Messrs. Ellis and Lugrin of the Victoria Colonist had been guilty of contempt of court, which was deserving of severe punishment, should now feel heartily ashamed of themselves. We said at the time the committal of these two gentlemen was made that if punishment was meted out to them for utterances given vent to as to the advisability of a gentleman, who before being appointed a judge, had been an active partizan, sitting on an election case in which he was personally concerned, then we might no longer boast of one of our highest liberties—the freedom of the press. The judge dismissed the case, each party paying their own costs. It does seem a pity that the defendants in the case should be asked to lose anything financially just because some person, having a political grudge agains tthe Colonist, wished to vent their spleen upon it. In this they have failed and they should now slink back like the whipped curs to their kennels. Our morning contemporary, especially, which delivered its judgment on the case so profoundly, should feel especially small over the fact that Mr. Justice Drake's decision did not concur with its superior view.—Vancouver World.

HAVE THREE RESERVES.

Songees Indians Better Off in the Way of Homes Than Most People.

In the discussion of the question of the removal of the Songees Indians from the reserve which separates Victoria West from the business portion of the city, the fact that these Indians have two other reserves within a short distance of Victoria, has to a large extent been lost sight off. Besides what is known as the Victoria reserve there is one at Esquimalt and another on Discovery island. According to the registry at the Indian office 116 of these Indians have their homes on the Victoria reserve, 36 on Discovery island, and 20 at Esquimalt, altogether it is safe to say that at the present time with very few exceptions they are all on the Victoria reserve, while during the summer the majority will be found on the other reserves. Like the aristocrats of the white race they leave the city in the summer, returning in the fall for the gayeties of the winter season.

All of the Indians are practically self-sustaining, what they do receive from the Dominion government coming out of funds that belong to them. A few years ago most of the men of the tribe found employment in the sawmills, on steamers and along the wharves, but the Chinese sawmill hands and the white longshoremen have taken their places. Now they make a livelihood by fishing and doing odd jobs.

THE CAMPAIGN IN BAGOT.

Why Quebec Supports Sir Wilfrid Made Plain by a Liberal Member.

From the Montreal Star.

St. Liboire, Que., Dec. 8.—After the nominations here yesterday, a large public meeting was addressed by the two candidates for Bagot, as well as by a number of members of parliament. The speaking was begun by Mr. J. E. Marcil, the Liberal candidate, who was followed by his Conservative opponent, Mr. Brodeur, both confining themselves to local issues. Then Mr. Beauparlant, of St. Hyacinthe, spoke for the Liberals and was followed by Mr. F. D. Monk, M.P., who referred to the increase of debt and expenditure under Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He also condemned the conduct of the government in regard to the tariff.

Mr. Lemieux, M.P., claimed for Sir Wilfrid Laurier that he had settled the Manitoba school question to the satisfaction of the Pope and the bishops. He also spoke of Sir Charles Tupper being a Protestant, and asked his hearers if they would vote for him against Sir Wilfrid Laurier, a French-Canadian, who had made so imposing a figure at the London jubilee proceedings and who was now at Washington, winning the admiration of all.

Mr. Bergeron, M.P., who followed Mr. Lemieux, referred to the latter's appeal for votes for Sir Wilfrid Laurier on account of his being a French-Canadian, an appeal that had been made by less important speakers in other parts of the constituency. Would Mr. Lemieux, a member of parliament, he asked, dare to use such language in Ontario or the Maritime Provinces? Such appeals were to be condemned. Mr. Bergeron also spoke of the Manitoba school question, which had been introduced by the Liberal speakers. The Catholics in Manitoba might not be so persecuted now as they had been. The Manitoba Government had obtained financial favors from that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and was willing to do something in return. But what had been done rested on no basis of law—it was in part, in fact, in opposition to the law. The Manitoba Catholics had no security for the continuance of present modified conditions. Liberals in this province, who had been so loud in their demands for the redress of their co-religionists' grievances, could point to no statute if they were assailed. Liberal speakers were humbugging the people; they were not happy; their illusions had gone to pieces; their hopes had been blighted. They had put faith in Laurier; but Tarte was the real leader in Quebec, and was driving the party to ruin.

Mr. Bernier, M.P., admitted that there had been an increase in the debt and the expenditure, but sought to justify them by declaring that the country needed them. He defended the Drummond County deal, which Mr. Monk had attacked, by saying that railways were necessary, and a benefit to the country.

Other addresses for the Liberals were made by Mr. Stinson, M.P., Mr. Bruneau, M.P., and Mr. Proulx, M.P., and for the Conservatives by Messrs. Milton McDonald, M.L.A.A., A. A. Mondou, and Mr. Monty.

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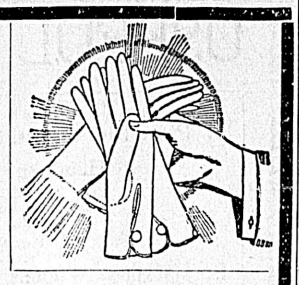

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Drunken Women.—Two women were before the police magistrate yesterday morning for being drunk on the street. One was fined $10 or one month, and the other, who was charged with using obscene language as well as with being drunk, was fined $5 in each case.

Death's Hand.—The death of the 22-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Heathorn occurred on Sunday. The funeral will take place from the residence, 263 Douglas street, to-morrow. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Scott also died on Sunday. The remains will be taken to Vancouver for interment.

TO THE CIGAR SMOKERS OF VICTORIA.

In view of all that has been said in reference to the cry of "British Columbia for British Columbians," the cigar-makers of Victoria make this appeal to the public: At the present time there are a large number of idle cigar-makers in the city, and if Eastern goods continue to be shipped here in hundreds of thousands, there will not be 10 cigar-makers here.

If 10 per cent. of the cigar-smokers would insist on buying union-made cigars, the local union would have a membership of 100. One hundred men at an average of $15 per week is $1,500, every cent of which would be spent in Victoria. There is not a wholesale merchant in Victoria that handles local made cigars, but they are the first ones to cry "Patronize home industry." Tell everybody that a local made cigar is better than a cigar made anywhere else. Insist on having a cigar with the union label on, for a cigar with the union label on is a better cigar than one without it.

INTERNATIONAL UNION NO. 211 OF VICTORIA.

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Victoria Invited.—The firemen of Spokane, Tacoma and Seattle intend holding balls during the holidays, and have invited the Victoria department to send representatives.

The Ministerial Association met yesterday afternoon in special session to arrange a programme for the week of prayer. Full particulars will be published in the course of a few days.

Reaching Out for Business.—The Merchants' Bank of Halifax has sent men and supplies North to open branches at Skagway Bennett and Atlin. This institution is one of the most enterprising banks in Canada, and it is also one of of the most solid and well managed. It is a comparatively recent competitor for British Columbia business, but is meeting with the success that energy and enterprise merit.

New Offices.—Owing to the increase in their business, the British Columbia Electric company have found it necessary to secure more commodious quarters, and to this end have leased the premises on Yates street formerly occupied by the Times company. This move on the part of the street railway company leaves vacant for the time being the handsome suite of office rooms in the Bank of Montreal building.

Little Damage.—The fire department was called out at 10 o'clock yesterday morning for a fire at the residence of Mr. J. W. Dabold, Haughton street, Spring Ridge. The wind had displaced the chimney, and when the fire was lighted the rafters in the attic took fire. In crossing a garden to the house, the chemical engine became mired, and a stream had to be used from the hydrant. The loss will not exceed $50.

The Popular Champagne.—"It tickles my nose like sody," remarked an old gentleman once, when he was drinking his first glass of champagne. G. H. Mumm's Extra Dry evidently tickles the palate of connoisseurs right along, if the customs returns of champagne imports into the United States are a correct indication of its popularity. In 1897 there were imported into the United States 72,775 cases of Mumm's. In the eleven months ending November 30, 1898, 78,585 cases were imported. These figures are obtained from custom house records, so there is no doubt about their correctness. That the cheerful qualities of Mumm's are also appreciated by British Columbians is evidenced by the fact that Messrs. Pither & Leiser recently imported three carloads.

An Artist Pedestrian.—Mr. Charles Brouard, who represents Gil Bals, of Paris, and who is an artist of considerable merit, is in the city on his way to the Klondike. He walked from New York, and expects to walk from Skagway to his destination. He will paint a picture while here, and expects to realize some money for expenses by its sale. Mons. Brouard has been a great traveller. His most interesting trip so far was in Persia, where he met with many exciting experiences. He has been along the route of the Trans-Caspian railway, that great strategic line which Russia has built to the borders of Afghanistan. He has crossed Siberia, visited Egypt, South Africa and other places. He speaks half a dozen languages, and is a veritable mine of information concerning the countries through which he has passed. He seems to be much impressed with the preparations being made by Russia in Turkestan, which appear to have no other possible object than an invasion of India. The Russian force in and about Merv is large and ready for action at short notice. Mons. Brouard has had some excellent opportunities of observing the Russian penal system in Siberia, and he does not agree with the sensational writers, who have depicted the lot of political exiles as hard in the extreme. He does not think that the native Russian population will be equal to the exploitation of the great resources of Siberia.

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Coming Attraction.—A critic, speaking of Gerome Helmont, who appears at the Victoria theatre on Thursday evening, said: "A little genius, though still in knickerbockers, plays the violin so well that audiences fall under his spell, and cheer like mad." Helmont is assisted by Miss Ida Simmons, pianiste, and Miss Grace Preston, the noted contralto, who tourned last season with Nordica.

Bowling for turkeys this week—Adelphi. *

Residence Changes Hands.—The residence of Mr. Hedley Chapman on Dallas road, together with the handsome furnishings, were yesterday purchased by Mr. Fred. Hume, provincial secretary and minister of mines, who will shortly take up his abode there. The price is said to have been $16,000.

We keep the best of liquors and cigars at Adelphi. *

Borne to the Grave.—The funeral of the late John Sylvester Bowker took place from the family residence, Oak Bay farm, on Sunday afternoon, the Rev. Canon Beanlands officiating there and at Ross Bay cemetery, where the remains were interred in the presence of a large number of sympathizing friends. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. T. Elford, J. A. Virtue, W. S. Chambers, John Grant, Richard Hall, M. P. P., and H. Dallas Helmcken, M. P. P.

New songs, new music, new company at Harry Lindley's entertainments—A. O. U. W. hall. *

Pupils' Entertainment.—It is expected that the Pemberton gymnasium will present a lively scene to-night, when the High school pupils mark the installation of electric light in the gymnasium by holding a conversazione. A good programme has been prepared, one of the chief items being "The H. S. Library." Classics, mathematics and science will be presented in costume by pupils of the school. Former pupils are invited to be present.

See Harry Lindley and his big new company in "The Castaways" at the A. O. U. W. hall Wednesday evening. *

R. E. Church Services.—On Sunday evening the R. E. Church was crowded to the doors, when the choir gave a most enjoyable service of song. They were assisted by Mr. Sydney H. Morse, who rendered the solo, "Come Ye," in most charming style. The choir rendered two anthems, and Dr. Robertson sang the ever-popular sacred solo, "Abide With Me." Dr. Robertson possesses a voice well above the average, his enunciation being very clear, and, what is lacking in most singers, he sings with an expression that cannot fail to hold his audience. Mr. Giles played a delightful organ selection, and his accompaniments were very good, taking care not to drown the voices of the singers.

Over Bold.—Last week John Donovan was arrested for begging on the street, on which charge he was convicted, judgment, however, being reserved until to-day, and he being allowed out on his own recognizance in the hope that he would leave the city. Instead of leaving, however, he got "gloriously" drunk and was arrested in that condition on Sunday. Yesterday he got ten days for being drunk and twenty days for begging.

THE COLUMBIA'S ADVENTURES.

Story That the Ship Is Not in So Bad a Condition as Her Captain Makes Out.

A sensational announcement appeared in the Honolulu Star of December 17, that the steamer City of Columbia was not so badly damaged in her accident as had been understood, and that she would go from Hilo to Honolulu under her own steam. This report is disputed by the former managers of the line at Seattle, who refer to the report of the board of survey as to the damage sustained. The article which appeared in the Honolulu paper was as follows:

"Now it is said that the City of Columbia is as good as she was when she came here; that she hasn't a broken back, but only a 'hog' back, and she has had that for years; that she did not spring any serious leak on the trip from here toward Hilo, and that she never was in any danger.

"Her 'race with death,' it is openly charged, was all in the excited mind of Capt. Milnor. Letters received here from the navigating officer, Mr. Smith, and from the chief engineer, Mr. Turner, say there is no reason in the world why they should not have proceeded to Seattle.

"Passengers of the Garonne say that the crew of the vessel have openly taunted Capt. Milnor on the streets of Hilo with having lost his head.

"As to the condition of the steamer, the United States consular agent at Hilo gave his permission for the vessel to proceed to Honolulu under her own steam. The officers and crew, except Capt. Milnor, were willing to bring her here. Capt. Turner, the representative of the underwriters, after examining her, said there would be neither difficulty nor danger in bringing her. All arrangements were made for her to start some time to-day, when one of the creditors in Hilo libeled her for the account due him. It is understood that on the advice of attorneys here this libel will be released and the steamer allowed to proceed to Honolulu, where she will be libelled for the account.

"The crew have not been paid for three months. About $15,000 is due in wages. An arrangement was reached last week by which the crew were to accept orders for their wages on the company in Seattle, come here on last Friday's Kinau, and go by the first opportunity to Seattle. The ship meanwhile was to be held until it was found whether these orders were honored or not. At the last moment this arrangement fell through."

Pool and bowling alley—the Adelphi. *

Divorces Granted—There were two decrees of divorce made absolute yesterday. One was a divorce granted to Mrs. Jenny McKelvey from Adam McKelvey of Comox. They other was that of Edith Bywater from Walter Bywater.

Stoddart v. Prentice.—Mr. Justice Walkem yesterday granted leave to appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Martin refusing to strike out the petition against Mr. Prentice. Security to the amount of $50 must be put up.

For the next two days Christmas cards at half-price at Ormond's, 57 Yates street. *

Christmas Dinner.—The annual Christmas dinner of the inmates of the Jubilee hospital will take place next Saturday, and those kind friends who in past years have sent gifts on these occasions are asked to make note of the above.

"Alone in Greater New York."—This play is what it is advertised to be, and people who go to see it have no reason to be disappointed. It is not refined, but it is not vulgar. There is no special feature in it that calls for notice. The mechanical effects are moderately good. If you go to see it, you will probably laugh; if you stay away, you will not miss much.

NORTH OYSTER SCHOOL.

Christmas Tree, Entertainment and Dance Features of the Public Christmas Closing.

The North Oyster public school closed in the evening of the 15th inst. with a Christmas tree and dance for the public. The children partook of a sumptuous repast, provided by the parents, at 5:30 p.m., and this was followed by the programme, which gave evidence of hard work and painstaking on the part of the teacher, Miss Cora H. Loat. It was as follows: Dialogue, "The Sick Doll"—"Lenna's Dream;" song, "The Highland Laddie," by four little girls; recitation, "Paddle your own canoe," Wm. R. Gibson; dialogue, "Auntie Dimple."

The tree, which was tastefully hung with presents, was then stripped and each child was well pleased with the result. Prizes were also awarded to Dora Walker, for improvement in writing, and Nelly Curran, for neatness.

The dance then commenced and was kept up until 3:30 a.m. It was well attended by residents of the surrounding district.

"Robin Hood."—Although there will be no general rehearsal for "Robin Hood" until after the holidays the private rehearsals will go on just the same.

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NEWMARKET, ONT.—"I have had a good opportunity of noting the great medicinal powers of Hood's Sarsaparilla. My wife has been a sufferer from catarrh for the past four years, and the disease had gone so far that the bones of the nose had become affected and particles had come away through an opening in the left side. Her eyesight was also affected to the extent that for nearly a year she was unable to read for more than five minutes at a time. She suffered

Severe Pains in the Head

and at times was almost distracted. She was treated by four different doctors, one of whom was a specialist. They all said they could not do anything for her, as the disease had gone too far. Her nose would swell about every three days until her eyes would almost be closed. Then it would break through and the swelling would subside for a day or two. About Christmas she commenced taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and since that time has steadily improved. She has not been troubled with any swelling since, and the sore on the side of the nose has all healed. She is on the road to a complete cure. I cannot speak too highly of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I cheerfully recommend it to any person who is suffering with catarrh."
W. H. FURSIER.

N. B. If you decide to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, do not be induced to buy any substitute. Be sure to get Hood's.

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The people say my stock is well selected and prices very low. Come and see if it is true.
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE YUKON TRADE. WHERE DO WE STAND ?

Sir:—Have we accepted the decision of the Senate of Canada as disposing of this question finally and for all time?

Have we done all that can be done and gone to sleep, allowing matters to take their course, the course that will turn over to the United States the best part of the Yukon trade in commerce and transportation?

A year ago when the Klondike boom was at its height the subject was in every mouth, but now that the trade of the great Yukon ocuntry has settled down to a business basis, are we to give up every effort to try and secure and hold what naturally belong sto Canada?

Are we to shut our mouths and hide our pens in order that we may not be forgotten when the leavings from the rich man's table are being distributed in Canada?

Whether we may be Liberals or Conservatives in Dominion politics all interested in the commerce of Canada must regret that the scheme for an all-Canadian route to the Yukon from a seaport on the British Columbia seaboard to Teslin lake was not consummataed.

Without discussing the general principles involved in the Mackenzie & Mann contract for a railway from Glenora to Teslin lake, all who have studied the matter must admit that that piece of road would have formed an important link in an all-Canadian route, and that its completion to Port Simpson would have made the trade of the Canadian Yukon entirely tributary to Canada, while the traffic to and from the American Yukon would also have passed over this road.

The concessions to have been granted in the Mackenzie & Mann contract would have ensured the building of the road without any cost to Canada. The proposed concessions were of very doubtful value, and there is no one acquainted with the country who considered the intrinsic value of the charter as worth a dollar apart from the right to build and operate the railway as in itself a probably profitable investment.

That gold mining cannot stand excessive taxation is evidenced by the determined opposition to the royalty, which will probably be done away with.

Mackenzie & Mann's contract provided that they would be granted extensive areas to land with gold therein, but they had to discover the gold or the grants would be worthless, and those grants would not be prospected by others unless the terms were so reasonable and just as to induce prospectors to do so.

In other words, the placer mines of Canada will not be developed unless the miner can have, as he deserves, all that is in them, as he did in California, Cariboo and Cassiar.

As a result of the failure of the Canadian government to grapple seccussfully with this proposition, we have the opening of an American route via Skagway, by means of which American commerce is reaping the harvest it justly deserves as the reward of push and enterprise.

Skagway is a city on a small scale. It claims a population of 5,000 people. It has waterworks, electric light and municipal organization, and it lives, grows and prospers at the expense of Canada. Its inhabitants are not of the needy classes. They earn and spend far more than the average citizen in older places. Adults naturally predominate in the population of such new towns. It is safe to say that with the money spent by the transient trade, its business represents $400 per head of population, or in other words a gross volume of $2,00,000 taken almost exclusively from the Klondike mines in Canada.

The Americans deserve this trade. They have worked for it, and without any other feeling towards them than we should have towards a business competitor in our own country, we must admit that the Anglo-Saxon keenness in business is more pronounced in our American cousins than in our own Canadian stock.

Putting the output of Klondike for the last year at $10,000,000, Skagway has in one way or another levied a toll of 20 per cent. for American trade and commerce.

It may not yet be too late to avert a complete loss, and let us hope that the Liberals and Conservatives of Canada will leave party to one side in trying to conserve the trade of Canada to Canada.

A railway from our northern seaboard, tapping Omineca and Cassiar on its way to the Yukon, would open up a mining country equal in richness to Kootenay, and of tenfold greater extent. It would bring to Canada the traffic of the American as well as the Canadian Yukon. It would provide a home demand for the produce of Canadian farmers and for the manufactures of Canada, which latter do not look to the United States or England for a market.

Canadians are a loyal people. They prefer their own institutions to those of our cousins to the South, but loyalty should not be unfairly taxed and asked to stand by and look on when trade, the bread of commercial life, is being taken away and given to those to whom it does not fairly belong.

Are the people of British Columbia to allow the parliament of Canada again to meet without an unanimous expression of opinion (other than Senator McDonald's) that neither Canada as a whole, nor British Columbia as a part, should or will be satisfied until the all-rail Canadian route to the Yukon is an accomplished fact?

CANADIAN.

THE ONE-MAN GOVERNMENT.

Sir: When His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor sent for Mr. Semlin it was understood that that gentleman would form a government and that he would be at the head of his cabinet, but facts which have come to light most assuredly point to the belief that the government consists of one man only, and that the other members of the cabinet are mere "heads of departments." When Mr. Semlin was sent for, he summoned certain gentlemen to Victoria, one of whom was the only Joseph Martin, who, as reported in the press at the outset, compelled Mr. Semlin to appoint a majority of Liberals to his cabinet, and for some reason which is a profound mystery he (Semlin) had to give way, and Mr. Carter-Cotton, rather than lose the office he had so long coveted, also gave a very reluctant consent, and the appointments were made. I fancy I see Mr. Martin, as he returned to his hotel, his face wreathed in smiles and rubbing his hands with glee, saying to himself: "I have won, and more easily than I thought." Since that time everything has been easy, for the nominal members of the government must do what Martin says. Gosnell must go; Cunningham, of Vancouver, notwithstanding Mr. Cotton's entreaties on his behalf, must go; also a host of other good men, for the government, alias Joseph Martin, says so.

The matter of the workmen's wages was brought up. The Turner government had fixed the rate at $2.50 per day, but the "one-man government," although when addressing the electors, pleaded for the workmen's votes, "because it was a workmen's government going into power," immediately reduced the rate to $2 per day. Language fails me when I try to describe the scene which is reported to have taken place when Martin quietly, but sternly, informed the cabinet that there was not a competent barrister in this province—at least not competent enough to become deputy attorney-general, and that he had already sent for his old friend, Mr. McLean, to fill the position. It was no use for Semlin to rave or for Cotton to say it was a ruinous policy, or for Hume to demur; the reply was: "Gentlemen, I have offered the position to McLean, and if he will accept he must have it." It is no use the "Benchers" saying he cannot act; Martin says he shall, and who, even among the benchers, is able to withstand the government, alias Joseph Martin? The majority of the dismissals have been, so it is reported, not at the wish of the nominal Premier, or even of the Finance Minister, but the heads have been cut off at the dictum of the "one man" who rules all the important departments under the government.

Dame rumor has it that Mr. Cotton is to go to England under a three years' appointment, as he is very objectionable to Mr. Martin, and has already saved the lives of some few civil servants, but I now warn Mr. Cotton that if the government, alias Mr. Joseph Martin, says he must go, then he will be compelled to go to England or give up his seat in the cabinet, and when the time comes I hope he will rather cut his connection with the "one man" government than be put out of the way by the very man who, through his (Cotton's) influence, was unfortunately elected for Vancouver.

I could go on giving many illustrations such as the notice to "Loggers," "Coroners," "Administrators," etc., but will not take up more of your space. I hope the opposition will stand together and see to it that the country shall have a voice in saying who shall form the government. Yours,

MANITOBA.

MR. McEWEN'S REPLY.

Dear Sir:—If you will allow me the space in your paper, I would like to say a few words in reply to criticism which I and my work have received from some of your correspondents since leaving your city.

I was not before aware that the Theosophical Society, or any other society or individual who really recognized the duality of mind and the power of subjective mind, attributed it to the lowest element in man's mental organism.

Our highest and latest and also most frequently quoted writer on this subject, Thos. J. Hudson, in his "The Law of Psychic Phenomena," sets forth a working hypothesis for the explanation of all psychic phenomena in which he states and most clearly shows that the subjective mind is not only the store house of memory and the seat of conscience, but also the spirit or soul of man, and is dependant upon the objective mind for its development and education. All education comes through some form of suggestion.

We must admit that the hypnotized subject is in a subjective state and still susceptible to suggestion; and when I say that it is either auto-suggestion or a suggestion impressed over one or more of the pyhsical senses that causes the subject to act while in this passive state, instead of, as some say, the exercise of a strong will, or some uncanny power, I am only echoing the belief of some of our most eminent authorities upon the subject. That the most passive subject, or one in "a state of utter subjection," is capable of resisting any suggestion that may be placed which is in opposition to their conscience or firmly implanted principles of life,—which is the strongest form of auto-suggestion,—has been proven hundreds of times to the satisfaction of witnesses and the chagrin of a boasting performer. The belief that one person's will power may be so strong as to dominate over the will of another is in opposition to all religious creeds. The Bible says that man is born a free moral agent. Would he be so if he is so constituted that another's will could control his mind and body and rob him of his individuality?

That there is such a thing as the communication of subjective minds independent of objective senses, I believe. That the power of that communication is limited by the character or auto-suggestion of the recipitant is a fact that has impressed itself upon all ardent investigators and has been accepted as an established fact by our ablest and most recent writers. When then is the "absolute power" which entitles hypnotism to be called "slave holding of the most satanic sort," and gives the hypnotist the power to "enslave and paralyze free will in their subjects, turn immortal men into soulless, irresponsible automata?" Such ideas are parallel with those held by the Indians of the North regarding witchcraft, with which the lawmakers of our country are having to deal at the present time, and is but another evidence of the superstitious elements in man's being.

Man through all ages has been taught to believe that as the Bible says, we are made in God's image, and that in each human being there is a part or likeness of his divine nature, and that there is, especially in the Christian believer, a kinship or "brotherhood with Christ Jesus." If this is true, and the Bible certainly teaches it so, I see not so much audacity displayed in saying that the "difference between Christ and myself was that of degree rather than that of nature," as it is for one of His professed followers to deny the fact of his likeness or kinship. My mistake in assuming such relationship with Christ was because I was not (?) a Christian as my self-constituted judge "Tau" has declared. To him I wish only to say, "Judge not, that ye be not judged."

I am quite willing to call all of Christ's physical manifestations, while upon earth, miracles, if I may be allowed the privilege of so naming the wonders performed through the agency of our modern "Faith healers," "Divine healers," "Christian Scientists," "hypnotists" and others. We must admit that some wonderful cures have been performed through their agency, and which have no parallel outside of the recorded works of Jesus. That his disciples who wrote the New Testament, as well as the people of Christ's time, believed his demonstrations were outside of the domain of nature's laws, I am confident, for Christ spake to them in parables that they might understand, which clearly shows that he realized the utter uselessness of explaining to them the underlying principles of the universe and their being; but Christ did say, "As I have done, so shall ye do, even greater," and if we believe the Bible we must believe that as well as the rest of it.

Christ must have foreseen this present age of skepticism and materialism and knew that man would demand positive proof of the possibility of the performance of such things before he could grasp by faith the teachings of His spiritual philosophy; therefore He in His wisdom used not His power to work miracles, but operated wholly within the domain of nature's laws, which were left for man's use and benefit; and to my mind the man who fails to investigate and use for their highest good these laws of nature is offending our Creator and that of this universe. That the diligent and careful study and practice of hypnotism will afford sound and convincing proof of Christ's divine knowledge and origin, by demonstrating the possibility of the performance of some of his "miracles," should gain for it the recognition of all Christian people. This I know it can and does do; and I do not assert this merely upon the authority of others, as I have spent my life since childhood in studying and demonstrating this branch of psychology, which is something I fancy none of my critics has done; and I know whereof I speak.

An investigation of the writings of M. Liebault, M. Bernheimer, Hudson, Sage and others, as well as the principles upon which the Nancy and Paris schools of France (under both of which I have studied) are founded, will prove to any one that I am not an imposter standing alone in my views, but on the contrary am upheld by the world's closest students of hyphotism.

That man in the present time is incapable of doing many of the things which Christ did or caused to be done, I acknowledge, and I have never claimed otherwise; but I do claim that what we do is but the harmonious workings of nature's laws, which Christ understood so perfectly and we at present so imperfectly.

That we can, as we have often done, through the agency of hypnotic suggestion, make the blind to see, the deaf to hear, the lame to walk, etc., proves to my satisfaction that Christ with his higher and more perfect knowledge of the same forces could actually raise the dead, as it is recorded he did. That a hypnotized person can hold his hands in flames and feel no pain nor have afterwards any sign of fire upon it, as I have seen done, also convinces me that it were possible for Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, with their great faith and psychic powed, to go through the firy furnace unscathed.

That it would be possible to demonstrate that power to that degree now, I have never claimed, but that they are all miracles (except in the sense of our inability to comprehend the fundamental principles governing such conditions), I must confess my skepticism. Neither do I claim that it is possible in every city or on all occasions to demonstrate our knowledge of and ability to use nature's laws for the healing of the sick of even ordinary disease. We must have harmonious environment. Even Christ was compelled to recognize that the assistance of harmonious conditions were necessary to complete success. "And He did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief." (Matt. 13-58.)

If all the crimes which have been committed and then attributed to the evil influence of hypnotism were facts, they would argue much against its practice; but I have found in many instances that upon personal investigation there was nothing to prove that hypnotism played any part in them whatever. That the few "authenticated cases" where its induction had proven of harm to the mental, physical or moral nature were instances where the hypnotized parties had been educated in the superstitious belief that harm would come from it; that they would not be able to resist a command of any kind if accompanied by the mysterious and all powerful (?) glance of a certain kind; and it was their firm belief in this power which caused the result, for we all know it is the belief of our minds that controls the action of our bodies, or, in other words, "according to your faith, be it unto you."

It is because I realize that this faith in a mysterious power which is so prevalent among the ignorant classes might occasionally produce its evil results that I take so much pains in every place I give an entertainment to instruct the people in a simple way, and show them the power of their own minds and teach them their ability to assert their own will, which cannot be overcome by the will of another, but if applied in the right direction will be of great benefit to themselves.

I did not criticize the book on "mental suggestion, "by Dr. Ochronwicz, because I had my own book for sale, as was insinuated, for my own book is not for sale at present, as the great number who applied to me for a copy can testify. It is only one more false accusation, and I leave it to the people now to judge for themselves if my teachings are "fallacious and dangerous." If I am only a "show man," I try to teach the people what I conscientiously believe to be truths, which, if properly understood and applied, will be of great benefit to humanity.

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The children's carnival, held in the A. O. U. W. hall last week in aid of a children's ward for the Royal Jubilee hospital, was an unqualified success. It partook truly of the nature of a Christmas festival; for all those sharing in the work seemed inspired with that spirit of divine charity whose acts and manners are marked by sympathy, earnestness and grace. One little child exclaimed on returning from the fete: "Oh, father, it was a mass of loveliness!" And there was deeper truth in this little maid's impression than she was probably aware.

The hall was decorated throughout in pale pink, green and white, relieved by evergreens and holly. Over the stage ran the motto, "Pity and need make all flesh kin," and from this hung garlands of pink and white chrysanthemums, which festooned the draperies on either side. On the stage itself stood a glittering Christmas tree, and this, together with a bran-pie, was presided over by Mrs. McPherson and Mrs. Butler, assisted by Miss Christie and Miss Janion. These ladies were attired in red empire gowns and lace fichus, and wore powdered hair.

On either side of the stage were two radiant booths, "after Watteau," diffused with rosy light and garlanded with flowers. These were presided over, the one by Mrs. Croft, assisted by Miss Dunsmuir, Miss Pooley and Miss Lobb, in Watteau costumes poudre; and the other by Mrs. O. M. Jones and Mrs. C. G. Shaw, assisted by Miss Eveline Tilton and Miss Brady. These ladies were dressed as "chocolate girls," and sold sweets and bon-bons.

On the right of the stage was arranged Mrs. Croft's tableau of the "Sleeping Beauty," which was perfect in color and detail; and on the left Miss Nellie Dupont as the old woman of the shoe successfully got rid of her troublesome family. On the right side of the hall the Misses Loewen, as "sweet girl graduates," made a most effective picture, and proved that the academic habit is in no way inimical to a lively business. Next to these Mrs. F. B. Pemberton, assisted by Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. (Dr.) Wilson, Mrs. Richard Jones, Miss Kate Beaven and Miss Laura Bell, and dressed as Puritans, had a very pretty stall. Mrs. A. J. Smith, assisted by Miss Ross, representing the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Jubilee hospital, and wearing the uniform of that institution, stood gallantly to their cause. Mrs. H. D. Helmcken and the Misses Goodwin in their Geisha dresses presided over a beautiful Oriental divan and Mrs. Gore, with her dainty Quakeress maidens (Miss Christie and Miss Scholefield) completed the list.

At the end of the hall Mrs. E. G. Tilton had a most artistic arrangement of screens forming an octagonal room, where she showed paper work of all kinds. She was assisted by Miss Rita McTavish and Miss Lottie Wilson in dainty costumes and paper "picture" hats.

On the left side of the hall were the Misses Pemberton and Mrs. W. F. Burton, assisted by the Misses Foster and Miss Drake, dressed in the costume of St. John's ambulance. The tableau, which was the centre piece of this table, represented an Oriental ballet, and was most beautifully arranged. At this table also were shown the hats trimmed by amateur "men milliners," the prize for which was won by Mr. Charteris Pemberton, who produced a most wonderful confection composed of "common objects of the sea shore" most minutely and carefully selected by himself, and dried and arranged with the greatest care. Mr. W. F. Burton's hat, representing the Victoria golf links, also attracted much attention.

Next to the Misses Pemberton was the Nanaimo stall, presided over by Miss Cauldwell (representing Mrs. William Lewis of Nanaimo), and Mrs. T. R. E. McInnes and assisted by Miss Langley and Miss Drake. This stall commanded special attention, and deserves more than ordinary mention, as it was provided entirely by ladies in Nanaimo, and the friends and authorities of the hospital feel especially touched by this mark of interest and sympathy. The younger King's Daughters held the next stall, under the direction of Mrs. Harry Barnard. This stall had another beautiful tableau representing Cinderella, with a "real" coach and every detail complete. Two prizes were given at this stall for the best dolls dressed entirely by the children themselves, and were won respectively by Miss Dorothy Beanlands and Miss Katie King.

Mrs. Brady came next with delicious home-made mince meat, cakes and puddings; and we will finish our round with the Saanich market stall, presided over by Mrs. le Poer Trench, assisted by Mrs. Bradley-Dyne, Mrs. Caswell and Mrs. Kynaston, and which was a triumph of daintiness and good taste.

The work of the flower table was done by Miss Keefer and Miss Maud Prior, and plants and flowers were contributed by Messrs. Jay and Dodds, Mrs. Walsh-Windle and Mrs. King, assisted by the Misses Lugrin, Miss Askew, Miss Patton, Miss Worlock and Miss Scholefield, most successfully managed the tea and refreshments.

Many of the ladies of the Agenorian Society were present and sent contributions, expressing at the same time their pleasure and interest in the work on hand. This society has already undertaken a large work for the hospital, and has promised, when it is completed, their actual co-operation in any future effort that may be made.

The very suitable and bright orchestral programme was entirely contributed by Mr. Bantly and his friends; and the charming vocal concert on the second night was conducted by Dr. Robertson.

Among the dolls that deserve honorable mention were the following:

Court lady, dressed and contributed by Miss Simpson.

Tailor-dressed doll, contributed by Mr. Stewart.

Bride, from Nanaimo.

Bride, from Metchosin.

Dolls dressed in complete "travelling" outfit, by Mrs. Brethour, of Saanich, which won the local prize offered by Mrs. Trench.

Doll, by little Hilda Walker, of Saanich, which won the children's local prize offered by Mrs. Bradley-Dyne.

Baby doll, dressed by Miss Dunsmuir.

"Our Lady of the Snows," with complete insign, designed by Mrs. Croft, Mrs. Gore's beautiful doll in evening dress, and the dolls contributed by Mrs. Little and Mrs. Clinton, of Comox. From this district (emar) were sent fourteen dolls, all exliams) were sent fourteen dolls, all exceptionally well dressed—and indeed it becomes a lengthy, though happy task, to attempt to enumerate the numberless kindnesses and immense interest shown in the undertaking.

The King's Daughters at Chilliwack did not forget us; neither did those in Vancouver. Cowichan also sent contributions, but were unable to do as much as they would have wished, owing to having a bazaar of their own to provide for.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Fisher (Metchosin), provisions; Mr. Stuart (Hartley Park), cream; the Driard and Dallas hotels, provisions; Miss Patton, milk; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Spicer, two boxes tea; coffee and sugar, Messrs. Erskine & Wall; cakes, by numerous friends, and all the ingredients for the Christmas stall by the following merchants: Messrs. Macdonald, Goodacre, Erskine & Wall, Fell & Co., Dixi Ross, the Hudson's Bay Co., L. Dickinson, H. Saunders, Leiser, Earle, Watson & Hall, Dwyer, W. A. Jameson, Hardress Clarke, Speed, Townsley and Weiler. The market stall was entirely furnished by contributions from Saanich; and, according to Mrs. le Poer Trench's report, everyone in that district, with hardly an exception, sent dolls, merchandise or money to assist expenses. Indeed a most creditable record.

Finally, mention must be made of the kindness of Mr. Dunsmuir in allowing half rates on the B. & N. railway to all desiring to visit the carnival; and to the Sidney and Saanich railway for running special trains, and also for giving free freight on their line. The committee also gratefully acknowledges Mrs. Dunsmuir's donation of $50 towards the fund for the children's ward. This gift will make the gross receipts of the carnival exceed $1,900.

We have kept the "bonne bouche" for the end, but we have by no means overlooked the keynote of the carnival—the children's pageant—for what would all "our contrivings" have been without the gladness contributed by this? No one who saw the children's procession will ever forget it. The entire arrangement of this was in the hands of Mrs. H. Barnard, assisted by Miss H. S. Pemberton, and Mrs. Dickinson had admirably trained the little ones to march and countermarch, and to "wind the Maypole," which was done most gracefully at the finish by eight of the elder girls.

The following is the list of the children who took part, together with the characters they represented:

GROUP I.

Hugh Peters ..... Jester
Boyce Combe and Wallace Courtney ..... Heralds
Carew Martin and Alan Wilmott .. Demons
Henry King and Kenneth Raymur .. Demons
Olive Bryden ..... Princess
Leslie Bell ..... Prince
Beatrice Heyland and Blue-eyes Heyland ..... Jack and Gill
Baby Wilson and Kathleen Dunsmuir .... Daffodils
Muriel Dunsmuir and Davida Raymur .... Roses

GROUP II.

Brenda Dumbleton ..... Autumn
Shiela Dumbleton ..... Winter
Vivian Boulton ..... Spring
Florence Adams ..... Summer
Hugh Peters ..... Jester

GROUP III.

Guy Wilson ..... Friar Tuck
Helen Wilson ..... Maid Marion
Adrian Fletcher ..... Robin Hood
Ernest Matthews and Roddy Matthews .... Huntsmen
Edith Taylor ..... Xmas Angel

GROUP IV.

Gladys Pitts, "Mary, Mary Quite Contrary"
D'Arcy Martin .....
.. "Patti-cake, Patti-cake, Baker's Man"
Alison Beanlands ..... Mother Goose
Angela Beanlands ..... Peasant
Roderick Mackenzie .....
..... "To Market, to Market"
Jessie Prior ..... Miss Muffit
Jim Dunsmuir ..... Jack Horner
Marjorie Rome .. "Polly, put the kettle on"
Chase King ..... Dick Whittington
Madeline Taylor ..... Little Miss Netteout
Teddie King ..... Dr. Foster
Netta Heyland ..... Harlequin
Harold Eberts ..... Pierrot
Jinks Langley ..... Daffodils and Daisies
Eita Stevenson ..... Red, White and Blue
Marjorie Pinder ..... Bo Peep
Fred Rome ..... Boy Blue
Beatrice Godin ..... Cat and the Fiddle
Lorna Eberts ..... Bo Peep
Helen Peters ..... Cherry Ripe
Daisy Langley ..... Daisy
Olive Peters ..... Queen of Hearts
Violet Pooley ..... Knave of Hearts
Helena Ross ..... Judy
Hugh Ross ..... Punch
Cecilia Helmcken and Edith Helmcken .... Dresden, China

GROUP V.

Katie King ..... Eastern Girl
Daisy Bain and Marion Dunsmuir .... Parsee Girls
Marion Pitts and Alice Bell .. Hindoo Girls
Adelaide King ..... Eastern Princess
Marjorie Pinder and Paula Irving .... Tambourine Girls
Nellie Earle ..... Hindoo Girl
Nora Combe and Eleanor Dunsmuir .... Tambourine Girls

GROUP VI.

Dorothy Beanlands ..... Alice
Bryan Cowell ..... White Rabbit
Norma Flumerfelt ..... Red Queen
Ethel Tilton ..... White Queen
Bryan Combe ..... Mad Hatter

As the long line of sweet and shining faces defiled past they were indeed

"Better than all the ballads
That ever were sung, or said;
For they are living poems—
And all the rest are dead."

And perhaps it was the presence of the children which gave such perfect expression to the strong sense of human hympathy which prevailed, and which must prevail in all work that meets human need. Creeds, methods, laws and logic may differ, but the cry of human need for human sympathy is always the same. "What do we live for, if not to make life less difficult for each other?" cries George Eliot; and without sympathy indeed even Christmas must mean nothing, for in that case though

"Your priests be learned, your writings wise,
Your legends grand,
Yet the heart that in your stable lies
You cannot understand.
And so a happy, blessed Christmas to all."

Surely there will be many during this week when we again "rest beside the weary road to hear the angels sing," who will distinguish well the melody that runs through their heavenly harmony, and which is called "the love that loves its fellowmen."

ESQUIMALT PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Closing Exercises and the Winners of Prizes.

The closing exercises of the Esquimalt public school took place last Friday. The room was beautifully decorated with Union Jacks and chains of red, white and blue artistically arranged. The magnificent picture of the Queen, which the school won at the competitive examination last summer in Metchosin, adorned one end of the room. The teacher, Mr. L. A. Campbell, has proven himself very successful, and his pupils are a credit to the school. The following is the prize list: Bella Isbester, 1st in fifth class; Sadie Astel and Fred Bailey, 1st in third class; Robt. Muir, 1st in second class; Willie Wensley, 1st in spelling, third reader; Robert Dare, 1st spelling in second reader; Winnie Gordon, 1st in first reader; Fred Jones, 1st in second primer. A number of parents were present. The following made short addresses complimentary to teacher and pupils: Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. Messrs. Sharp, and Hicks, and Messrs. Tait and Bailey.

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35—Yates and Fernwood streets.
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45—Spring Ridge.
51—Douglas and Discovery streets.
52—Government and Princess streets.
53—Kings road and Second street.
54—Fountain, Douglas street and Hillside avenue.
56—Oaklands Fire Hall.
61—Cormorant and Store streets.
62—Discovery and Store streets.
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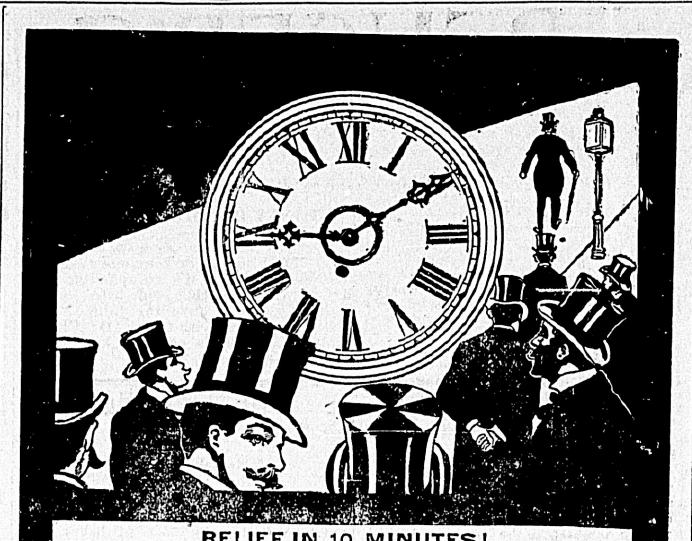
64—Catherine street, Victoria West.
65—Springfield ave. and Esquimalt road.
71—Douglas street and Burnside road.



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Dated at Saint John, N.B., this twenty-first day of November, A.D. 1898.

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Dated Victoria, B.C., 17th December, 1898.

M. POWERS.

Witness:—E. M. Johnson, Real Estate Agent, Victoria, B.C.

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FOR ALDERMEN.

The following persons are entitled to vote in any ward in which they may be registered as ratepayers, that is to say, any male or female being a British subject, and of the full age of twenty-one years, and

(a.) Who is the assessed owner of land or of improvements or the assessed occupier of lands situate within the municipality, or

(a1.) Who is the representative, duly authorized by the directors of an incorporated company which is the assessed owner of lands or of improvements of lands situate within the municipality, or

(b.) Who is a resident of and carries on business, and is the holder of a trades license in the municipality, the annual fee for which is not less than $5.00, and who has paid on or before the 1st day of November, 1898, the full license fee therefor, or

(c.) Who is a householder within the municipality. "A householder" is defined as a person who holds and occupies a messuage, dwelling, or tenement; or any part or portion of a messuage, dwelling or tenement, within the municipality, paying therefor a rental or rent value of not less than $60 per annum. Householders must have paid all municipal rates, taxes and license fees (exclusive of water rate or rent) on or before the 1st day of December, 1898, to entitle them to make the declaration as mentioned below, and in order to be included in the voters' list must, on or before the 1st day of December, 1898, enter their names with the assessor or clerk of the municipality as voters and make and personally deliver to the clerk or the assessor at the same time a statutory declaration as set out in sec. 6, sub-section (2) of the Municipal Elections Act. Forms of the said declaration may be obtained at the office of Mr. W. W. Northcott, assessor, City Hall.

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NOTICE is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a Duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above lands, issued to Joseph Despard Pemberton, on the 17th January, 1863, and numbered 745.

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TWO YEARS AND A HALF.

Young Finlayson Pleads Guilty and Is Sentenced by Mr. Justice Walkem.

Kenneth A. Finlayson yesterday took a speedy trial before Mr. Justice Walkem on the charge of taking money from the Dominion Savings Bank of which he was teller. Finlayson did not make any defence at all, but simply pleaded guilty to each charge as it was read.

Mr. L. P. Duff who appeared for him drew the judge's attention to the fact that Finlayson had not destroyed any of the deposit slips on which he had appropriated the money, the inference being that it had been his intention to replace the money ultimately. Mr. Duff also pointed out that here was a young man of 23 years of age who although he was handling the large sum of $200,000 or $300,000 a year as a teller in a government bank only received $45.83 a month and out of that had to pay for superannuation and guarantee fund. He was, too, practically the sole support of his mother and some younger brothers on a salary that was barely sufficient to supply the necessaries of life to one person. Perhaps this was not altogether the place to say it, some considerable portion of the responsibility for the blighting of this young man fell on those persons who allowed such a state of things to exist and put temptation in his way. Mr. Duff pointed out, too, that not only was the young man's career cut off but the family had lost their means of support and had to bear the disgrace of his action besides. On these grounds he asked for a light sentence.

Mr. Justice Walkem could not agree with the view that the smallness of the salary was any excuse for dishonesty. Had the salary not sufficed, Finlayson could have resigned his position. The taking of the money, too, was not done at one time under impulse but extended over a number of months and taking into account that the law was stricter in the case where savings banks were concerned, the court would inflict a sentence of two years and a half in the penitentiary and Finlayson might think himself lucky to get off with that.

Mr. W. H. Langley appeared for the crown.

IN THE FULL COURT.

The Famous Mining Appeal of Iron Mask in Centre Star Being Argued.

Judgment Given Deciding in Favor of the City of Nelson Electric By-Law.

The Full court were busy yesterday hearing the appeal of defendants in the famous mining suit of Iron Mask vs. Centre Star. This is a most important case, the first one of the kind involving extra lateral rights under the former method of location in British Columbia, when the prior locator was given the right to follow his vein outside his side lines and under the surface of a mine located later. This kind of difficulty cannot take place under the present provincial mineral laws, which give mineral rights only within the lines of a claim, the size of the mining claims being made 1,500 feet square, so as to give space for fair-sized underground workings within the side lines. The argument which opened yesterday was the defendant's appeal, Mr. E. P. Davis, Q. C., and Mr. Galt appearing for the Centre Star, and Messrs. E. V. Bodwell and A. H. McNeill for the Iron Mask. The appeal is to reverse two judgments pronounced by Mr. Justice Walkem, continuing an injunction against the Centre Star people and prohibiting this company from continuing to sink an incline shaft on a body of ore which has its apex, according to defendants' contention, in the Centre Star and following the dip of the vein under the ground of the Iron Mask, and also prohibiting the Centre Star from proceeding with a winze sunk from a drift in the said vein within Iron Mask ground.

These two judgments of Mr. Justice Walkem were given on October 4, shortly after the purchase of the Centre Star property by T. G. Blackstock and George Gooderham, of Toronto, who proceeded then to get themselves added as party defendants, to maintain their rights to the vein in question. Recently the defendants applied for an order to inspect, sample and experiment on the property in dispute.

The contention of plaintiffs is that defendants' vein, if it be a vein at all, is cut off and terminated by a flat fault or water course, which varies in thickness from two to four feet, and plaintiffs maintained their injunction as soon as the defendants reached the said water course in the workings. The application for inspection also came before Mr. Justice Walkem, who considered that he was bound by the terms of the injunction already pending, and, therefore, refused the order. The Centre Star Co. are appealing from this refusal also. The material before the court is very voluminous, consisting of 20 or more affidavits by various mining experts, about half of whom testified that the vein is terminated by the flat fault, while the other half of the experts decided, on the contrary, that the vein is continuous on the other side of the fault. The appellants in all these cases argue that this conflict of evidence renders it impossible for any court or judge to decide as to the ownership of the vein intelligently without prosecuting further work on the other side of the fault, and undertake to do the work at their own expense, even at the risk of proving their contention to be erroneous.

On the last occasion when the injunctions were argued before Mr. Justice Walkem they lasted a week. It is expected, however, that the present argument will be compressed into not more than three days.

NELSON ELECTRIC BL-LAW.

The Full court yesterday gave judgment, allowing the appeal of the city of Nelson in regard to the Nelson electric light by-law, and dismissed with costs Mr. Justice Walkem's order quashing the by-law. The following is the text of the Chief Justice's judgment:

With great respect for the opinion of the learned judge whose decision is in appeal I think that he went wrong in applying to this case the authorities upon which he proceeded.

The municipality was admittedly acting within its powers in acquiring the property in question.

It is not disputed that the council was composed of persons competent to originate and carry the by-law or that being a quorum they acted honestly and disinterestedly in the exercise of a discretion independent of the mayor, who did not even attend any of the meetings at which the by-law was read a first, second and third time, or that the necessary assent was duly given by a three-fourths majority of the electors or that they voted knowing the mayor to be a shareholder in the company from which the property was being purchased.

In these circumstances there is of course no suggestion that the mayor was guilty of anything morally wrong. But it is contended that in as much as the members of the council are substantially in the positioin of trustees for the inhabitants of the municipality and because as it is said the rule is that any transaction between trustees and cestui que trust will be set aside at the instance of the latter, therefore merely by reason of the dual position of the mayor this by-law must be quashed on the application of the respondent.

I do not think it necessary to consider whether the rule has been accurately stated but assuming its existence and application then to the municipality and not to a single dissatisfied ratepayer would seem to belong the right to decide whether the transaction should stand as being beneficial to the municipality or be set aside as not being for its benefit or whether the mayor should be made to account for any profit which he may have derived.

In this view the question of ratification by the ratepayers would naturally present itself for determination.

The rule applicable between trustees and cestui que trust in the ordinary sense of the terms is founded upon the impossibilty of determining with certainty whether the trustee has used his influence to bring about the transaction which takes place in private and if he choose to enter into it he cannot complain if his interest is made to give way to that of the cestui que trust. The matter concerns themselves only.

But why should the rule be extended to a totally different situation?

A municipality is created and regulated by statute.

The powers given it are for the benefit of the whole community.

What a municipality does is necessarily done in public with every opportunity for full discussion under conditions excluding the possibility of any secret influence and is subject to the safeguards which the legislature has deemed sufficient.

In this case the parties were at arm's length.

If the mayor's dual position was a material circumstance surely it was for the ratepayers themselves to determine what importance ought to be attached to this.

Why should the court import this rule contended for with the effect of fettering the municipality by an incapacity not imposed by the legislature and resulting as I humbly think only in serious embarrassment to a municipality in dealing with the very extensive subjects over which at the present time powers are conferred upon municipalities?

Quite apart from any particular provision of the Municipal Clauses act I would hesitate to concur in laying down such a rule as applicable to a municipality.

In my opinion the public interest forbids it.

But I am of opinion that the legislature has taken into its own hands the measure of protection which it has thought necessary for the ratepayers generally in allowing (C. 144. s. 19, ss. 10a) a member of a council to be concerned as a shareholder in dealings and contracts between it and the municipality while prohibiting him from voting in the council on any question affecting the company and in providing for the case of a member of the council being or becoming interested in a contract with the municipality (ss. 21 and 22) while refraining from avoiding the contract itself as was done by the Ontario act under consideration in Baird v. Almonte.

I do not think it would be useful to discuss the numerous authorities cited in the very able argument addressed to us.

The one mentioned is perhaps that most favorable for the respondent, but it differs widely from the case.

The absence from our act of the enactment referred to, makes a distinction as regards the question of ratification.

I will only add that I do not doubt that the court will always be able to afford the adequate relief in any case that may arise where it may be shown that the council or ratepayers have not freely and properly exercised their powers without the adoption of an arbitrary rule.

I would allow the appeal with costs.

A. J. McCOLL, C.J.

Mr. Justice Martin concurred and stated he would hand down a written judgment.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, Q.C., and Mr. A. Stewart Potts for the appellants (the city of Nelson), Mr. E. V. Bodwell for the respondent (Dr. Arthur).

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Dec. 19, 8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The gales which have prevailed over this province during the last 24 hours were caused by an important storm area which appeared off Vancouver Island on Sunday; it has since crossed the Rockies at the phenomenal velocity of 60 miles per hour. High winds have been general over the northwestern portion of the continent. Rain has fallen along the coast, extending southerly to California, while from the Cascades eastward to Manitoba the weather remains fair and decidedly mild.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	44	47
Kamloops	36	44
Barkerville	34	36
Calgary	12	40
Winnipeg	6	24
Portland	40	46
San Francisco	46	56

FORECASTS.

For twenty-four hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time) Tuesday:

Victoria and Vicinity—Southwest and west winds, increasing to gales along the coast; occasional falls of rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland—Unsettled and showery.

VICTORIA RECORD—SUNDAY.

Temperatures:

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	40	Mean	42
Noon	44	Highest	49
5 p.m.	48	Lowest	36

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m. Calm.
Noon. 2 miles north.
5 p.m. 32 miles southeast.
Average state of weather—Cloudy.
No sunshine.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.764
Corrected.....29.702

VICTORIA RECORD—MONDAY.

Temperatures:

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	45	Mean	44
Noon	44	Highest	47
5 p.m.	42	Lowest	41

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m. 28 miles west.
Noon. 20 miles southwest.
5 p.m. 16 miles southwest.
Rain—.49 inches.
Average state of weather—Cloudy.
Sunshine—Forty-two minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.760
Corrected.....29.703

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